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A "FREE CHINA" GOVT WILL ARISE--HU SHIH

San Francisco, April 22. Dr. Hu Shih, former Chinese Ambassador to the United States, said today that a "Free China" government will arise from the present Communist-Nationalist conflict and added that American aid will come to this government "at a time when it proved itself capable of effectively resisting the spread of Communist tyranny."

The titular Chancellor of the Communist-occupied National Peking University, who is here in a private capacity, declared that the present Nationalist leaders enjoy the loyal support of the Chinese and will probably continue in power.

He added, "I do not believe that the Generalissimo will come out of retirement."

Speaking of American aid, Dr. Hu said he knew from personal experience that Mr. Dean Acheson's sympathies are for China. He added that a Republican or Democrat will gladly give aid to a Free China government when that government deserves it.

He said the present government can hold its own against the Communists who are having serious difficulties in maintaining the industrial cities of North China. The Nationalist government has plenty of strength left if it can be wisely mobilized and directed, he asserted.

Dr. Hu will leave on Tuesday for Eastern United States.—United Press.

Shanghai Americans Urged To Leave

Shanghai, April 23. The American Consul-General in Shanghai, Mr. John Cabot, today warned American nationals to evacuate the city unless they had compelling reasons for remaining.

Mr. Cabot cited the Commander of the Shanghai Garrison's notice that Shanghai would be defended come what may, and his advice that foreign women and children should be removed to safer areas.

Mr. Cabot also warned that the recent incidents on the Yangtze clearly showed that the Americans remaining in Shanghai could not count on safety through an emergency evacuation if the situation should become too hazardous.

The British Consul-General Mr. R. W. Urquhart, broadcasting tonight, said that the British authorities did not intend at present to issue a notice similar to that of the Americans.

Mr. Urquhart said that he made the statement, following consultation with the British Emergency Planners' Committee in Shanghai and after consulting Admiral A. C. G. Madden second in command of the Far Eastern Station.

Mr. Urquhart said that the British, with great labour and considerable expense had prepared a concentration and evacuation plan, and they thought that it is a good plan.

He said, "It is possible that the sort of situation is now developing for which our plan was prepared. We think we have everything under control for the moment. We are following the situation closely and if desirable, a further announcement will be made soon."—Reuter.

A Bouquet For Colony From American Visitor

Trading and living conditions in Hong Kong are brighter and more stabilized than those in the Netherlands East Indies, Malaya, Siam and Indochina. This is according to Mr. E. C. Geeslin, Far Eastern Representative of Mars (Chicago) Incorporated.

Mr. Geeslin passed through the Colony yesterday on his way back to Manila where his headquarters is established.

He has been on holiday-cum-business trip in South East Asia.

American merchants in Hong Kong are comparatively better off than their counterparts in Burma, Singapore, Bangkok and Saigon, he said.

He said that whereas American products move freely into Hong Kong, import restrictions are imposed on American goods in the countries he had just visited. American business there is in fact dead, he added.

He said that it is also impossible to import American goods into Singapore by re-shipment from Hong Kong.

Mr. Geeslin, whose company are manufacturers of the Milky Way brand chocolate bars in the United States, said that hard candies manufactured in Hong Kong enjoy a good market in Singapore.

Formal Entry Expected Early This Morning NEXT TARGET--SHANGHAI

Communist underground leaders took over abandoned Nanking today and announced that their troops on the North bank of the Yangtze would cross the river and enter the former Nationalist capital in force at 7 a.m. Sunday.

Other Communist columns already are driving headlong for Shanghai from their Yangtze bridgeheads, and Government garrisons are fleeing in their path. All cities North of Shanghai have been abandoned by the Nationalists, according to reports here.

Telephone messages from Nanking said wild mobs began looting the city's business district at dawn today, after Nationalist troops and police fled. The mobs did not attack the foreign section or the residential area.

Acting President Li Tsung-jen flew to Shanghai at dawn today in the last plane to leave Nanking. During the day he continued Southward to Kweilin, principal city in his own stronghold of Kwangsi, and may arrive at Canton later to re-establish his government.

Martial law was declared in Shanghai and the military command announced that looters would be shot on sight. Seven hundred Marines of the Third U.S. Marine Division, garrisoned on a ship in the harbour, were alerted for riot duty.

The Nationalist commanders announced that Shanghai, known as the "Pearl of the Orient" and the seventh city of the world, would be defended against a victorious Communist onslaught.

All major garrison cities North of Shanghai, including Wusih, 70 miles North West, and Soochow, 50 miles to the North, have been abandoned by Government troops. Looting was reported to have broken out in Soochow.

front where they set up their own semi-military control to facilitate the crossing of Communist troops who massed on the North bank across from Nanking. Other small groups of the underground moved through the business district, trying to quiet the looting mobs who were rampant in stores and Government buildings.

They flew their national colours from the flagstaff.

The looting mobs respected the flags and moved on past the foreign diplomatic buildings to ransack the offices of their own government. No fires were set, however, according to last reports which were received at noon.

The message that Communist troops would begin crossing the river to occupy Nanking at 7 a.m. tomorrow was brought by political messengers, who began arriving in Nanking from the North bank at noon. The message was received at 12 noon.

The final telephone and telegraph reports from Nanking say the Nationalist capital's business district was turned into a shambles by rioting mobs after the Government forces pulled out last night.

The Communists concentrated their main forces along the river.

PRESIDENT LI IN KWEILIN

Canton, April 23. Acting President Li Tsung-jen today arrived in Kweilin, principal city in Kwangsi province, around noon, according to government sources here.—United Press.

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As the ceremony was in progress, a Royal Air Force plane dived overhead on a flight to examine the plight of stricken and trapped Amethyst, which was very likely to fall into the hands of the Communists.

Those buried comprised 12 men from the cruiser London, 10 from Consort and one from Amethyst.

The mourners included British, Chinese and foreign diplomats and Service chiefs. The rites were in accordance with the Anglican and Catholic Churches.

The Australian sloop, Shoal Haven, provided a firing party, while a Marine band from London led a procession to the graveside. The escort and mourning parties were drawn from the shipmates of the victims on board London, Consort and Amethyst.

The names of the British naval dead who were buried today were as follows:

HMS London: Sidney O. Jones, aged 28; Lawrence H. V. Judd, 21; Edgar G. W. Harrison, 20; John C. Lane, 20; Stanley A. Walsingham, 18; James P. Foley, 24; Harry Shelton, 21; Patrick Stowers, 33; Arthur W. Elwood, 23; William J. Pullin, 25; James H. Arkell, 31; and B. Rogers, 27.

HMS Consort: Albert Mairon, John Cecil Arthur, Maurice James Guyley, Denis Irredale, Raymond Gifford, John Tobin, William Moir, Sidney Jenkins, Christopher Button and Charles Victor Thoay.

HMS Amethyst: Winter (surname only).

The shell-shattered British sloop, Amethyst, buried 17 dead at sea and capsized another four miles up the Yangtze river toward Nanking under a rain of Communist artillery fire.

The wounded on Amethyst arrived in Shanghai by train at 7:30 p.m., bringing along two dead, seventeen wounded and one Chinese river pilot who was removed from the

AMETHYST SURVIVORS



Clad in Chinese military uniforms, supplied by the Chinese army units on the South bank of the Yangtze, British survivors from HMS Amethyst, shelled by Communist artillery, arrived in Shanghai.

Flag At Half-Mast



HMS Consort, shelled by Communist artillery from the North Bank of the Yangtze, when she attempted to reach Amethyst, arrived at Shanghai with holes in her hull. Her flag is flown at half-mast for the casualties suffered as a result of the shelling. One shell hit her bow (shown by arrow).

VICTIMS OF SHELLING BURIED IN SHANGHAI

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Amethyst's C.O. Killed

London, April 23. The Admiralty announced today that the Commanding Officer of Amethyst, Lieutenant Commander B. M. Skinner, was among the 16 men and two officers killed when Chinese Communists shelled the British warship in the Yangtze River.

Commander Skinner died of wounds on Friday.

The Admiralty listed nine as seriously wounded, of whom four have been evacuated to Chinkiang Hospital and five still trapped aboard the ship.—United Press.

UN INQUIRY INTO CARDINAL CASE REJECTED

Lake Success, April 23. The United Nations has turned down demands for a UN inquiry now into the trials of Hungarian Cardinal Mindszenty and Bulgarian Protestant churchmen.

Instead, a big majority in the UN Assembly's 58-nation special political committee gave its blessing to efforts of the United States, Britain and other peace treaty signers to settle the dispute by direct contact with the two Soviet satellites. The Soviet Union and her five Communist neighbours in the UN voted "no."

America and Britain already have accused the Eastern European countries of violating peace treaty guarantees of human rights by prosecuting churchmen. This is the first step under peace treaty machinery in efforts to solve the stormy issue outside the UN.—Associated Press.

Philippine Casualties

Manila, April 23. An official report of the Philippine Constabulary today said 1,107 dissidents were killed and 436 captured in 37 clashes with the Constabulary in the past seven months.

The report made by Brigadier General Alberto Ramos, chief of the Constabulary, to President Quirino, covered the period between August 15, 1948 and March 30, 1949.

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Mr. E. C. GEESLIN
Speaking of general living conditions in the countries he visited, Mr. Geeslin said that he liked Hong Kong best, being free from political disturbances and the post of living steadily.

The Weather

At 0600 GMT on April, 23, 1949, from a depression over Manchuria, a trough stretches Southeast across the Yellow and Eastern Seas to Formosa and thence across E. China to the low pressure area over Yunnan and N. Indo-China. South of this trough a ridge of high pressure from the Pacific anti-cyclone extends Westwards across the Northern Philippines to Hainan. An anticyclone covers N. China.

Today's Forecast—Light variable mainly W or NW winds. Fair or dry with morning mist. Continuing warm.

Yesterday's Weather—
Maximum 81.0 deg. F.
Minimum 68.0 deg. F.
Rainfall 1.00 in.
Total since Jan 1—
224.2 mm.—8.82 ins. as against an average of 228.8 mm.—9.00 ins.
Rainfall at 10 a.m. 1014.7 mm.—10.15 in.
Rainfall at 4 p.m. 1014.7 mm.—10.15 in.
Wind Direction N. W.
Wind Force 1-2
Tides—
High 10:15 a.m.
Low 4:15 p.m.

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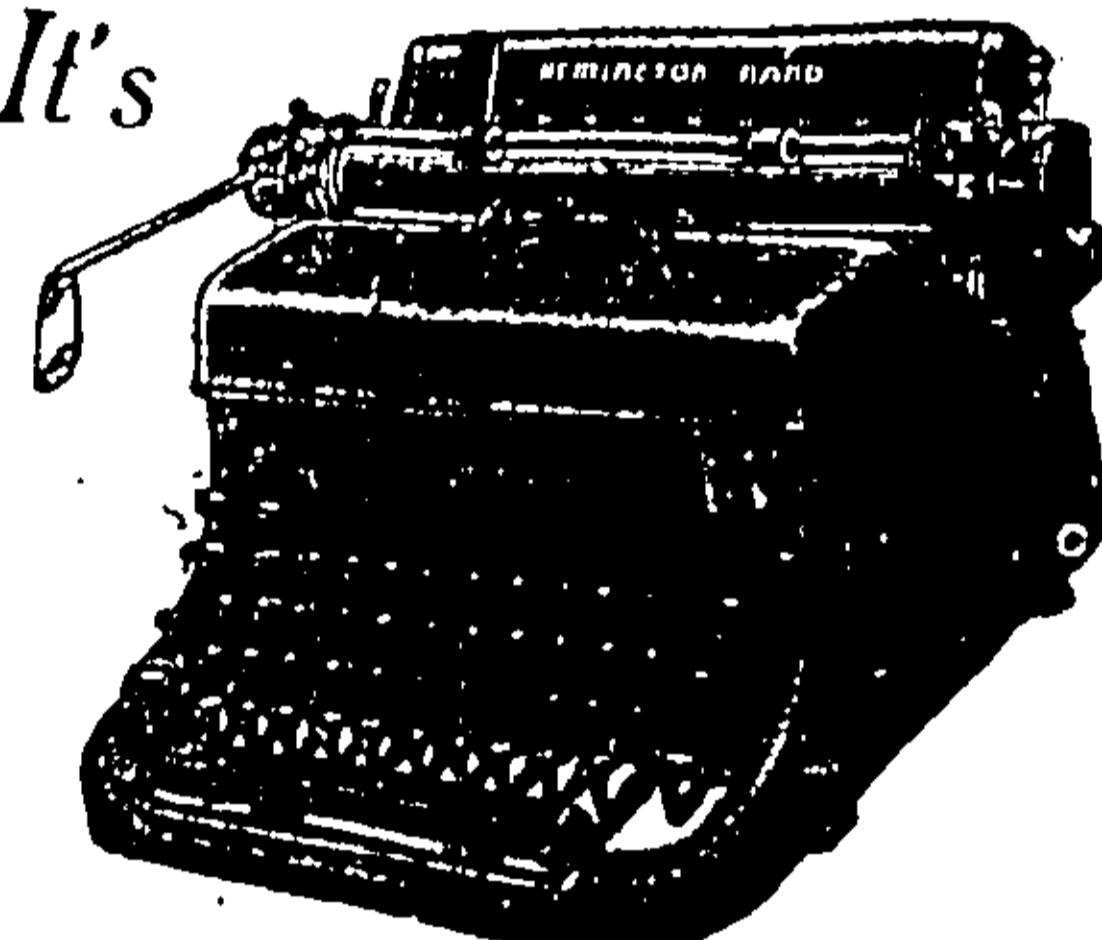
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LECTURES ON BETTER HOMES

A popular series of lectures was given last year at the YWCA, 14 Duddell Street, under the auspices of the flower arranging committee. These were enjoyed so much that the committee have arranged another series of talks this year entitled "Better Homes." Chairman of this committee will be Mrs. Halsey Wilbur. The first talk will be given at the YWCA on Wednesday next.

Mr. Alan Laidlaw, who won the flower arranging competition last year, will open the series, which should be of great interest to all lovers of better "home-making."

Details of the series are given below.

Come and learn new tricks of flower arranging, hot weather crowning, salads, party sweets, cooking, and interior decorating. April 27, Wednesday, 3 p.m.: Mrs. Alan Laidlaw, "Flower Arrangements."

May 4, Wednesday, 3 p.m.: Mrs. Sheilagh Norman, "Hot Weather Grooming."

May 11, Wednesday, 3 p.m.: Mrs. James Mackie, "Favourite Ices and Dishes."

May 18, Wednesday, 3 p.m.: Mrs. Arthur A. Chase, "Salads and Cold Sweets."

May 25, Wednesday, 3 p.m.: Mrs. H. H. Findlay Gourlie, "Out of the Cook's Bag of Tricks."

June 1, Wednesday, 3 p.m.: Mrs. W. G. Robertson, "Interior Decoration."

Tickets are now available at the YWCA at \$10 for the series, or at the door, \$2 for each demonstration. Proceeds to go to the YWCA.

SIX CHARGED AT KOWLOON

Six persons, including three women, were charged at Kowloon yesterday with a breach of the entertainment tax regulations.

They were fined \$40 each by Mr. J. Wicks.

Liu Fong was arrested on Friday at the Kwong Chih Theatre and the others the same day at the Kwong Ming Theatre.

A wreath in memory of the war dead was placed at the Cenotaph yesterday—St. George's Day—by Mr. E. J. R. Mitchell and Mr. V. L. Labrum, President and Vice-President, respectively, of the Hong Kong Society of St. George. Others present included Messrs. J. G. Meyer, H. B. L. Dowbiggin, M. W. Turner, C. Blaker, H. G. W. Woodhead, S. Mason, V. L. Sargent, Sir Leslie and Lady Clouston, and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hart. (China Mail Photo).

ANZAC DAY WILL BE OBSERVED TODAY

Anzac Day will be commemorated in Hong Kong today by the Australian and New Zealand communities with memorial services to the men who died fighting during the landing at Gallipoli.

Wreaths will be placed at the foot of the Cenotaph at 10 a.m. The Memorial Service there will be conducted by the Reverend Mr. Hatt-Lipcombe and the Right Reverend Mgr. A. Feroldi.

The service will be followed by the usual two-minute silence in memory of the fallen in the two world wars.

On April 25, 1915, the quiet of dawn pervaded the beaches of Gallipoli. Off shore British warships, dimly seen through the ground mist, edged gently towards the shore. A rattle, a splash—and an inferno broke loose.

The Australian and New Zealand Army Corps, fresh from training in Egypt and under the command of General W. R. Birdwood, had begun their landing under the fire of the Turks, who were well-entrenched on the high ground overlooking the beaches. Thus Anzac Day was born.

It was a bitter travail for the men who took part in it; inch by inch they fought their way through a hell of fire until at last they established a beach-head. Eight bitter months later, after sustaining many heavy casualties, they were withdrawn. The Gallipoli landing had failed to achieve its object, but its memory is kept alive in the hearts of the Australian people.

Throughout the Commonwealth, April 25 is observed as a public holiday. But it lacks the normal holiday spirit. For instead of going to the beaches, or for picnics in the country, Australians throng the streets of their cities and towns to see the march of the ex-servicemen.

At the Cenotaph in every Australian city and town, a non-denominational service is held, after which the people file past in a long line to lay their wreaths by the Stone of Remembrance until all available space is piled high with flowers and the air is filled with their fragrance.

In the far-flung places of the world, in the cities of other countries, in every place where Australians and New Zealanders are to be found, they gather to-

Application made by Mr. C. D. Slade, barrister-at-law, for and on behalf of Hong Kong Charitable Trust (Trustee) Hong Kong, lawful attorney, for rescaling certificate copy of probate of the will was granted.

Mr. John William Franks, formerly of 85 Goldington Avenue, Bedford, who died at his residence on June 15, 1948, left local estate sworn under HK\$28,100.

Application made by Mr. D. B. Evans, solicitor, for rescaling certificate of probate of the will was granted.

Mr. V. Yakovlev's allegations will be food for thought for men and women who have been or are scouts and guides.

My two daughters are already girl guides and my son shall be a Wolf Cub, later a scout when he comes to the age—he is to help them to become better citizens in a world of peace and harmony, positively not on "spies" because I have no need of such, neither have you.

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Scouts And Spies

Sir—Allow me to express my revulsion to the item captioned "Scouts Trained As Spies" printed in today's edition of your newspaper, which was a despatch from the United Press in Moscow.

Boy Scouts and Girl Guides organisations are emphatically not "extra-curricular schools for spies and soldiers." Very much to the contrary, they are schools for upright and virtuous citizens of the world. These organisations, born of voluntary recruits of active boys and girls, are extensive fields wherein the seeds of love of peace, sportsmanship, selflessness and countless other virtues are nourished.

The innumerable activities, other than bringing the young to closer communion with nature and fellow human beings, moreover offer excellent opportunities for boys and girls to exhibit their true selves. In all their phases of training these organisations display prominently their one main object—that to produce sound and worthy men and women to take their places among the millions as good citizens of the world.

These societies help to develop the qualities of self-reliance, independence, fair play and helpfulness in-born in many of the teen-agers and they mould characters and foster brotherhood among the youths. Hence it is a movement toward peace and harmony, definitely not toward cultivation of suspicion, racial prejudice, discrimination, or to breed hatred, grandism and war.

It is a general rule that any allegation or accusation must be substantiated by facts and accurate knowledge. Those incidents as have been enumerated may be participated by other organisations other than scouts whose services or duties are not directly connected with the scout movement. It is time we are aiming at universal brotherhood but not subject to any political imposition.

Invariably everything that a boy scout or girl guide learns or is taught to do is always constructive, never destructive.

In 1942 I had the rare occasion among five other boys to represent China in the Second World Boy Scouts Jamboree at Copenhagen. Throughout our journey via Mukden, Moscow, Berlin, to name a few places, and our return trip by London, Paris, Marseilles and Singapore, co-operation, self-sacrifice and consideration of others were the mottoes of the day.

I was only 18 then and though my happy experience lasted a few months, it was one of the happiest in my teen-age life. The events reflected many of the qualities associated with a boy scout and girl guide and imprinted a very strong and vivid impression in my mind. Six and Lady Robert Baden-Powell attended the Jamboree just as other scouts and guides. The atmosphere in the Camp was so harmonious, the slightest detail tended to by the various divisions of the many companies that I felt and was convinced working together as a single unit, that such a movement should and could be further promoted for the benefit of world youths and that surely the world of which the Jamboree represent a small portion could certainly exist as one large family. I still cherish this conviction today.

If those who know the scout laws and regulations should put them in practice in their everyday lives, surely the world will be a better place to live in today will be in a better shape than this tumultuous and chaotic condition created by ignorant and poisonous propaganda with an ultra motive designed to mislead.

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Mr. Macdonald
in Hong Kong

The Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, the Commissioner General for South East Asia, arrived here yesterday with Mrs. Macdonald by R.A.F. Dakota from Singapore.

The Government House

sources described the visit as an informal one, to provide the Commissioner General with an opportunity to discuss current affairs with the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham.

The Commissioner General and his wife will spend about one week at Government House.

ing. Both my friend and myself were amazed at the lack of objective speaking of most of the speakers.

Previously, I must confess, I was not quite so sure under whose tent to camp, but today I am very sure indeed. The Reform Club, as it was represented last night definitely showed no constructive thought at all, and a lot of dehydrated hot air spun round the room—all to no end. A very simple and straightforward question from Mr. Silva brought forth only a garbled link of historical reference to Ceylon, and a complete evasion of the main issue. It showed an absolute paucity of any direct policy. This so poor in attempting to reply to Mr. Silva made clear to me that the Reform Club official speaker either (a) did not understand the question, but it was straightforward and clear enough, or (b) follows no laid down policies nor ideas.

It appears that they consider that as long as a large mass of people attend their meetings and unanimously cry "Aye" to all destructive criticisms of the Government—so easy to do at any time—that this would make the Legislative Council hot under the collar and redder the Governor's ears... If that is the case, they must consider the Government and his Council a pack of congenital idiots, and it is about time the Reform Club ceased making tools of themselves.

Col. Brasier-Creagh's speech listed those things which vitally concern our daily lives; in other words, the internal administration of the Colony. We—the people—have no wish to enter into the governing of the Colony beyond that; we have no ideas of making any attempt to be statesmen; we have fully competent leaders and a tried machine at Westminster to deal with the international and more statesmanlike problems. I, and many others, are fully with the colonel in holding such sentiments.

It is time, I think, that a party or Club be set up in opposition to the Reform Club. It is so, and it is organised to do things constructively, and pursues its business in the use of criticism of the present system with honesty of purpose, by the production of positive and concrete ideas, the whole Colony, including the present Government will surely benefit. There is no room in the present world for any single party system.

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Adjudication In Ownership Case

Adjudication in the ownership dispute over No. 184 Queen's Road Central was announced by the Chief Justice, Sir Leslie Gibson, in the Supreme Court yesterday, when he gave judgment in favour of defendants.

The judgment was given on an action brought by Tsui Chun, a 70-year-old widow, who claimed that she was the owner of the property and that the sale effected in 1945 by her stepson Fung Kwok-hing was null and void as he was not her lawful attorney. She asked for possession of the premises and mesne profit.

The defendants, Lai Suet-ying and Tang Sing-po, a widow and a married woman, contesting the claim, asserted that the 1945 assignment was good and counter-claimed for an order under section 2 and 3 of the Land Transactions (Enemy Occupation) Ordinance 1948 that the plaintiff execute a confirmatory assignment or alternatively specific performance.

The Chief Justice said that at the outset of the hearing he had to decide on whom the onus lay to prove that the assignment was good. He decided that it rested on the defendant; and in support of his decision he quoted a passage from a Privy Council decision in Doe v. Wilson, which stated that there is a great distinction between a civil and a criminal case, when a question of forgery arises.

In the present action, the Chief Justice continued, the point for decision was whether the purported power of attorney was real or forged. In a civil case, the onus of proving the genuineness of a deed is cast upon the party who produces it and asserts its validity. In a criminal case, the onus of proving a forgery is cast on the prosecutor, and, unless he can satisfy the jury, the prisoner must be acquitted.

Power Of Attorney

Three lawyers from Canton had been called by the defence to prove that the power of attorney was in fact executed by Tsui Chun in favour of Fung Kwok-hing, and Professor Ma Kian of the University of Hong Kong had given expert evidence on the genuineness of the signature on the power of attorney.

On the other hand, two Chinese handwriting experts from the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation had given contrary evidence that the signature on the power of attorney was not that of Tsui Chun.

The Chief Justice said he was not prepared to decide the case on the basis of the evidence of these handwriting experts.

Dealing with Fung Kwok-hing's position, the Chief Justice said he must have known about these proceedings, but he had not come forward. If the power of attorney was genuine then either he had misappropriated the purchase price of the house or he was in complete complicity with the plaintiff in an attempt to repudiate the sale of the house.

Fung was a teacher in Canton. Plaintiff had said she did not know his whereabouts, but her two daughters, Fung Hon-wa and Fung Kwok-wa, said they knew, and the Chief Justice said, plaintiff must have also known.

Plaintiff's Case

Turning to the case of the plaintiff, the Chief Justice said she had denied she had ever wanted to sell the house and had never seen the lawyer Yau Wai-ho in her life, but the evidence had shown that she had, in fact, executed a mortgage.

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Silver Wedding



Mr. and Mrs. J. M. V. Remedios who celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary at the Little Flower Club, King's Park, Kowloon, on Friday night. — "China Mail" Photo.

Remedios Celebrate Silver Jubilee

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. V. Remedios celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on April 22 when they received the warm wishes of relatives and friends at a reception at the Little Flower Club, King's Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Remedios came from two well-known and old families of the Colony. Mrs. Remedios was formerly Luiza Noronha.

They were married at St. Joseph's Church in 1924 on a day which Mr. Remedios, who is now 72 years of age, recalled, was finer than the April 22 of this year.

The Chief Justice said he was not convinced by Ho Kwok-fan's evidence who supported plaintiff's alibi story, that she was in Ping-shan when the power of attorney was said to have been executed by her in Canton. It was surprising that Fung Kwok-hing, if he had wanted to put through a forgery, should have chosen just the time when his mother was not in Canton.

Weighing all this evidence, said the Chief Justice, "I am of the opinion that the defendants have discharged the onus which is upon them, I accordingly give judgment in their favour on claim and counter-claim with costs—the judgment on the counter-claim being for specific performance of the agreement to sell the property implied under section 5 of Land Transactions (Enemy Occupation) Ordinance 1948."

Mr. Lee d'Almada K.C. was present for the plaintiff, and Mr. Brook Bernacchi represented the defendants.

PILOTS DREAD KAI TAK FIELD

Pilots dread landing at Kai Tak, according to an American aeronautics official.

Mr. George Herman Buchmeier of the Communications Division of the U.S. Civil Aeronautics Administration, who passed through Hong Kong yesterday by PAL plane, en route to New York, told the "Sunday Herald,"

"The field itself is fairly good, but the location is unfortunate."

If something could be done about the hills, many pilots would be much happier, he said.

"They don't like coming in here," Mr. Buchmeier said.

On Friday air traffic at Kai Tak reached an all-time high, with 75 planes arriving and 31 departing.

No One Hurt In Plane Crash

A Harvard AT-6 training plane, the XP-404, piloted by Mr. "Pete" Custer of the Hong Kong Flying Club, crash-landed at Kai Tak early yesterday afternoon.

Neither Mr. Custer nor his American passenger, Mr. Dorman, was injured. Damage to the plane was slight.

The port-side landing gear gave way just after the plane touched the runway, tipping her over on one wing. The single-blade propeller bent backward as it hit the ground.

A fire-engine and a tow-truck were rushed to the scene.

A RAF officer, attending R.A.F. sports events on the field adjacent to the landing strip, hurried over. He arrived in time to see Mr. Custer and Mr. Dorman climb out of the cockpit.

CATHOLIC CLUB RE-OPENED

The Chinese Catholic Club at No. 6 Queen's Road Central, was re-opened yesterday. Bishop Henry Boltorta, DD, gave his blessing. More than 100 club members and their friends were present.

The club was first opened in 1945, a few months after the re-occupation of the Colony.

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Loan Company Has Successful Year

A net profit of HK\$1,790,392.03 for last year was reported by Major S. M. Churn at the annual meeting yesterday of the China Provident, Loan and Mortgage Co. Ltd.

In a reference to the 14 houses in Tung Shing Street, Aberdeen, Major Churn said the property was taken over in satisfaction for a mortgage many years ago. In July last year a demolition order was made as the foundations had subsided.

None of the tenants have complied with the removal notice but a closure order under the Public Health Ordinance had been granted for execution on April 27. The Chairman hoped the authorities could persuade the tenants to vacate before some catastrophe occurred.

The Chairman revealed that merchant clients had increased by 65 per cent, and revenue from merchant sources represents 70 per cent of gross storage earnings, as compared with 47 per cent in 1948. It was a healthy sign both for the Company and the Colony.

There had been no claims for losses in godowns during the year.

A dividend of 75 cents a share would be paid, with a bonus of 10 cents share, both free of tax. Proposed by Mr. E. Grant Smith, and seconded by Mr. A. Gillard, the retiring directors Mr. N. A. Croucher and Mr. E. Tse-fong were re-elected and the appointment of Mr. R. Johannesen to the board to replace Mr. B. Wilson was confirmed.

Percy Smith and Company and Pent, Warwick, Mitchell and Company on the proposal of Major C. W. L. Way, seconded by Mr. C. Stapleton, were re-appointed auditors.

Among those who attended the meeting were: Major S. M. Churn, Sir Robert Ho Tung, Sir Robert Kotewall, D. H. Blake, R. Johansen, and A. D. Learmonth (Secretary).

Shareholders were represented by: Messrs. E. Grant Smith, F. E. d'Almada Remedios, A. Gillard, A. R. Ellis, C. Stapleton, Lin Shuchun, U. Sz-wing, Lam King-tak and Major C. W. L. Way.

ART CLUB EXHIBITION

The monthly exhibition by the Hong Kong Art Club will be held on Wednesday and Thursday daily between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. at St. John's Cathedral Hall.

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Firm's Aid To Dependents

The surviving dependents of China Provident, Loan and Mortgage Company employees who perished in the Wing On godown fire last year have been assisted by the Company and other sympathizers. Major Churn, Chairman of the Company, announced yesterday.

Two members of the China Provident's Chinese staff and 24 close relatives of the Chinese staff died in the fire.

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Meeting him at the Airport will be the Hong Kong representative of the National Cash Register Company, Mr. W. S. Anderson. The company has factories in England and Canada, and before the War in Japan also. Mr. Marshall has been investigating the possibilities of realising production in Japan.

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NOTICE
RENEWAL OF BUTTER RATION CARDS

I. When butter rationing started, it was hoped that it would not be necessary to continue it for long. Supplies are adequate but are still not plentiful, and rationing continues to be the fairest way of ensuring an equitable distribution. There is, however, reason to believe that the system has been abused in that ration cards belonging to persons who have left the Colony may still be in use. Particulars of the number of persons on existing cards are also in many cases out of date. It has, therefore, been decided that new cards should be issued. Card holders will be asked to provide fuller particulars when applying for new cards than they have been required to do up to now. For example, details of card holders' passports will be required to enable the rationing authorities to cancel their cards when they leave the Colony. For similar reasons everyone who has reached the age of 16 will have to have a separate card.

New cards will for the present only be issued to persons covered by existing butter ration cards.

II. To reduce delay and inconvenience to the public in obtaining new butter cards, separate dates have been fixed on an alphabetical basis. Those dates are:

- (a) Persons whose names begin with the letters A — C ... 25th-27th April
- (b) " " " " D — G ... 28th-30th April
- (c) " " " " H — K ... 2nd- 4th May
- (d) " " " " L — N ... 5th- 7th May
- (e) " " " " O — S ... 9th-11th May
- (f) " " " " T — Z ... 12th-14th May

III. What To Do.

1. On the appropriate date, go to the Price Control Office, Old Urban Council Building, Statue Square, opposite the Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank, between 9:30 a.m. and 1:0 p.m. or 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

2. Take with you (i) your existing ration card,
(ii) all passports held by you and
members of your family.

3. At the Price Control Office you will be asked to fill in application forms for new butter ration cards.

4. The new cards will be prepared and handed to you once.

5. Take the new card to your retailers and register with them; they will keep the counterfoil attached to it. The authorised retailers are the Dairy Farm, Ice & Cold Storage Co., Ltd., and Lane, Crawford Ltd. They will register customers holding the new cards only at their main shops in Des Voeux Road, Central.

6. Keep both cards until the date on which the new card will come into force is announced.

IV. Notes.

(a) New cards will for the present only be issued to persons covered by existing butter ration cards.

(b) As everyone who has reached the age of 16 must in future have a separate butter ration card, separate application forms will be required. But it is not necessary for each individual to go to the Price Control Office. A husband, for example, may fill up application forms on behalf of his wife and children provided the necessary documents are produced.

(c) Children under 16 will be included in their Mothers' or Fathers' card. Particulars of such children will therefore be entered on the application form of one of the parents.

(d) Persons already covered by block rations issued to certain hotels and messes will continue to be supplied in the same way. If you have been able up to now to get butter at your hotel or mess without an individual ration card, you do not need one now.

By Order of the Board

JARDINE, MATHESON
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General Managers.

ADDITIONAL NOTICE.

The attention of all Shareholders is drawn to the fact that through unavoidable circumstances the dates during which the Transfer Books of the Company will be closed have been altered, and will now be from the 5th May to 25th May, 1949, inclusive, instead of 16th May to 5th June, 1949, as previously advertised.

By Order of the Board.

JARDINE, MATHESON &
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General Managers.

Hong Kong, April 21, 1949.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the fortieth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd. 3rd floor, Hongkong Bank Building, on Tuesday, the 28th April, 1949, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 December, 1948.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 12th April, 1949 to the 28th April, 1949, both days inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.
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April 4, 1949.

NOTICE

CHANGE OF TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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Chennault
Returning
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Will the "Flying Tigers" take to the air again?

The man who could answer that question passed through Hong Kong yesterday, en route to the United States by Philippine Airlines plane.

General Claire Chennault, famed commander of the "Flying Tigers", declined to be interviewed by the Press but agreed to answer questions submitted in writing.

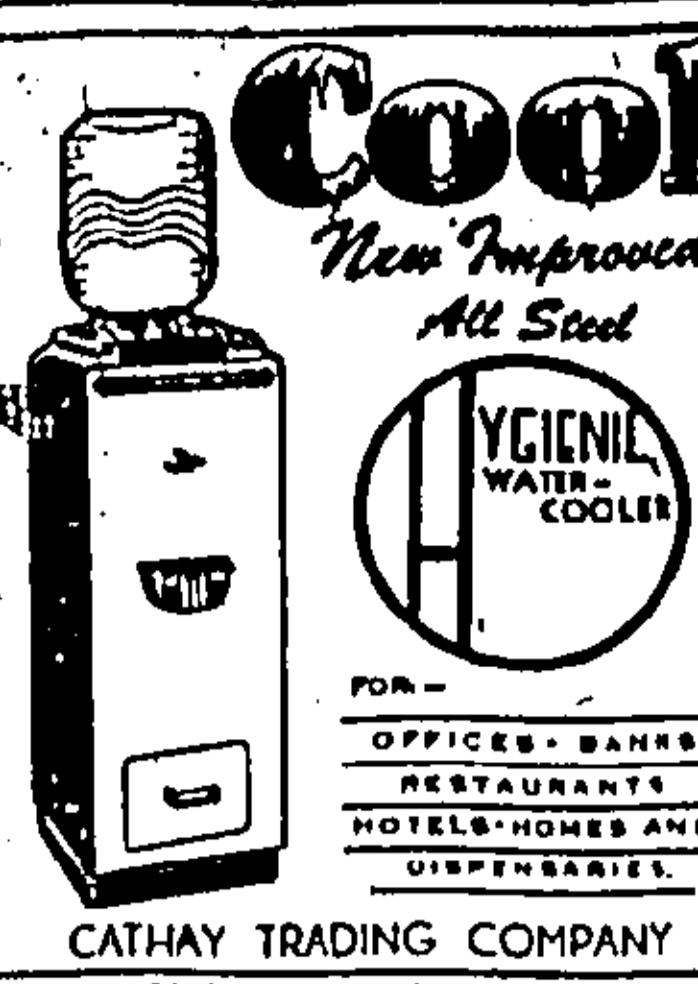
His visit to Louisiana, the General said, is for reasons of health and for a vacation. He is accompanied by Mr. Chennault.

Asked whether he was still thinking of reviving the "Flying Tigers", General Chennault's terse answer was "no comment".

About three months ago, the General said in Shanghai that if the air corps were revived, he would be willing to lead it again.

General Chennault arrived in Hong Kong late Friday afternoon. His plane took off noon yesterday.

Several months ago CAT moved their headquarters from Shanghai to Canton. According to a company spokesman, Shanghai today is merely a "base" and whenever necessary the organisation could remove all of its planes and remaining equipment within 24 hours.

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(December 21—January 19)
Good news materialises through the post early this week. Later, benefits through older people and also considerable speculative "luck". If single, personal revival or former interesting tie.

FEbruary
(January 20—February 18)
Any plan for change of residence or reshuffles in the household mature quickly. Thursday and Friday likely to bring sensational news about such schemes. Early in week some controversy with neighbour or close relative.

MARCH
(February 19—March 20)
A week of much movement and possibly of one or two short journeys. In close touch with brothers and sisters, their affairs take up a good deal of time. Likelihood of a new and profitable contract materialising suddenly.

APRIL
(March 21—April 20)
A turn in the financial situation will either bring dismay or starting fortune. But chances are that if you are alert, the latter and you gain through unusual and speculative deals. Beware controversy suddenly revealed.

MAY
(April 21—May 20)
Events this week are likely to coincide with a turning point of your affairs. Offer of an interesting but possibly hazardous job should turn up Thursday or Friday. A good deal of argument and some worry this week but also possibility of marked progress.

JUNE
(May 21—June 20)
Don't lose your head if people behave oddly or if you find that someone has let you down. Surprising news likely to come through about Thursday or Friday. A better week for attending to personal matters than for business or financial moves.

JULY
(June 21—July 20)
Prospect of business advancement this week but your energies somewhat hampered by many personal claims. Friends in trouble likely to take up a good deal of time and attention end of week. Some likelihood of speculative good fortune on Thursday.

AUGUST
(July 21—August 21)
If you can keep alert, seize opportunities as they appear this week, your own progress will surprise you. Thursday and Friday likely to be highly significant days, bringing interesting offers and probably news from abroad.

SEPTEMBER
(August 22—September 22)
It looks as though you fix up something worth while in next few days or sign contract that would prove profitable in next three or four years. Alternatively, travel plans made in something of a hurry and a journey may be actually begun on Friday. A good week for clearing up legal business.

OCTOBER
(September 23—October 23)
It married, marriage partner's affairs, relatives, interests give much ground for discussion and probably form basis for new business deal. If single, much to do with family investments with or for others.

NOVEMBER
(October 24—November 22)
What you achieve this week you achieve in partnership. Difficult to act on your own either in social or business matters. Much controversy and possible opposition to a new scheme, but worth while going ahead. Chances of immediate success are unusually good.

DECEMBER
(November 23—December 20)
Consider health carefully before you make any important

WHAT THE STARS FORETELL

By R.H. Naylor

In this weekly series of articles, one of the world's foremost experts in predicting the future gives his opinions on what you personally can expect in the weeks and months to come. Look for your birth period below and find the general indications for the week. Note that these observations are made according to the Zodiacoal Signs and do not exactly coincide with the Calendar Month. For example, January covers December 21—January 19.

SUNDAY, APRIL 24:
FOR MOST OF US: Wise to be cautious in all personal dealings and family affairs. A good day though for sport and outdoor activities. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Rose pink, 9, Bloodstone.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:
In the major affairs of life this will be a year in which caution pays. However tempted you may be to make changes, introduce innovations into your business or household, better refrain from doing so. Also, a policy of "safety first" will serve you well throughout the year. Though your job may not be altogether congenial, stick to it at any rate until early 1950.

Changes undertaken before that and more particularly changes introduced about June, would bring some unpleasant surprises with them. Also, there isn't much hope of income being improved by any move of the kind. Provided you are careful and avoid unnecessary litigation or contention, life should be fairly prosperous this year. But better make sure how you stand with officials, tax collectors and so on. In any controversy with people of this type better consider compromise rather than a fight to the finish.

Restlessness will pursue you throughout most of 1949/50, and you will be inclined to take any opportunity to travel that comes your way. But travel without purpose would bring only trouble.

Better stay somewhere near home during most of the 12 months. You will have to face up to some unkind criticism from relatives—probably from brothers or sisters. But if you can keep your own counsel, refrain from joining in unnecessary quarrels, you will come through the ordeal successfully. Other relationships will probably be untroubled and there is some prospect of a new friendship bringing happiness towards Christmas.

MONDAY, APRIL 25:
FOR MOST OF US: An easy day, particularly if interested in trade. Good bargain and late evening. Gambler's luck for many people TONIGHT FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Pastel shades, 6, Turquoise.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:
Now begins a year which you will be inclined to take life easily and to "trust to luck" and during 1949/50 "luck" will serve you well. This will be a period of quick profits and ever-increasing comfort. It will probably be better to avoid far-reaching changes and to concentrate on the job of work in which you are now engaged.

Profits should begin to increase almost immediately and should reach a very pleasant level during the early months of 1950. There is also the likelihood of some speculative gains about that time. Better make a point of being conciliatory and helpful in business affairs. You will find that such a policy pays better than that of downrightness and aggressiveness. If you aim at building up good-will, both among business associates and personal friends, you will see good results before your next birthday.

Socially, it will be an important year and you need not have qualms about spending money on entertainment, making your home more comfortable, buying good food and clothes.

move and don't take decisions that are likely to impair your well-being. If employer, sudden changes among staff; if employed, better understanding with fellow workers follows a short controversy in a week.

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BIRTHDAY FORECAST:
What social contacts you make around about Christmas time and the New Year of 1950 are likely to prove useful for many months to come. It will be a good year too in your domestic life and if now single there is the prospect of a happy marriage before the year is out. In some way you will have a good deal to do with women in 1949/50 and will probably benefit substantially through one of them before the end of the year.

TUESDAY, APRIL 26:
FOR MOST OF US: Take life slowly this morning if you want to succeed. Good for anything that requires concentration, careful methods, specialised knowledge. Somewhat adverse day though for cash deals. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Mid-night blue, 6, Dark sapphire.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:
This new year of life is likely to bring one surprise after another. However carefully you may have laid plans, some of them are likely to be upset. On the other hand chance schemes do well and as the months go by you will probably feel more and more confident and secure.

It will be an expensive year, probably because you have to lay out money now to make profits later. But provided you can keep your outgoings under control, it will be a successful period in your business life. You should succeed in making arrangements that do much to ensure future security and prosperity.

There is some likelihood of a legacy, probably early in 1950. Alternatively, you get what business backing you need from a relative or family friend. A long-standing business association enters upon a contentious stage but at the same time continues to be worth while.

A return to scenes of childhood or a link-up with an old friend is very probable in the New Year of 1950. In some way, too, ventures of eight or nine years ago become important again and you make good use of experience gained about that time.

Your personal affairs will be a time of considerable happiness and also of old friendships, you make interesting link-ups with people of curious occupation or personality. It may cost you a good deal to keep up with your friends this year, and to do your share of entertaining, but such expenditure would be worth while in the end.

THURSDAY, APRIL 28:
FOR MOST OF US: Important day both in personal and world affairs.

Some prospects of quarrels being healed, better understanding being established. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Rose pink, 6, Diamond.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Almost certainly this will be an outstanding year in your life. Not only are important changes ahead both in your business and per-

sonal affairs but when you look back on 1949/50 you will find it has been a turning point in many ways.

Many of your ideas as well as your material circumstances are likely to be altered before the end of the year. The coming few weeks should bring an unusual offer or some unsought good fortune. At the same time your "luck" will entail upheavals that may not be altogether welcome. Some rearrangement in your way of living may be necessary at short notice.

Financially it should be a most profitable year. Windfalls will be more plentiful than you could have anticipated and you should also see speculative deals develop satisfactorily. If in a promotion a step up is likely during May, if health has been affected lately, the next few weeks may mark a crisis and then a turn for the better.

Alternatively, you get good news of some invalid who is now and dear to you. If now single and unattached, changes in your affairs are likely to coincide with the beginning of a romance or close association that leads to marriage. If already married, some anxiety about family affairs will be followed by a good deal of happiness and confidence. There will probably be an addition to the family circle—a girl.

FRIDAY, APRIL 29:
FOR MOST OF US: A day of rumours and interesting world news. For the individual a restless but profitable day. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Bright yellow, 5, Topaz.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:

If you are in the mood for adventure and travel, events of 1949/50 will suit you very well. If, however, you are longing for a quiet life and settled routine, then you are likely to be disappointed in the near future.

Although far-reaching reshuffles are not indicated, one minor change after another will keep you busy during the next few months. You may have suddenly to bring your methods up to date, to undertake a publicity campaign, to travel at very short notice.

There will probably be a good deal of worry about older people in the family and it is possible that you may have a bereavement somewhere in your circle.

But other relationships should flourish this year and if single it is a good time for getting married. If already settled, don't put money into property or saddle yourself with a new house or fresh land in 1949/50.

about a good deal, though it is not likely that you will go overseas. Some family errand will probably keep you busy and on the move during May.

If you have any gift for public speaking, it will be fully exercised this year. Also, you may be called upon to organise some new movement or society either with a business or political link-up. Correspondence will be heavy throughout the year and you will probably have a good deal to do with officials. You will make many new friends in 1949/50 but will probably be kept too busy to let any one of these friendships develop into a more intimate affair. In some way young people become important to you and many of your activities this year will concern young people or children.

SATURDAY, APRIL 30:

FOR MOST OF US: Work tends to stick to the fingers this morning. Better leave the week's problems till Monday and get on with the next job. A good day for quick deals and sales. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Royal, 3, Amethyst.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:

Although this new year of life may begin with disappointments, yet on the whole it will be a prosperous and progressive period.

As the months go by you will find that conditions become easier and that gradually you are taking a more optimistic view of life. A long-standing responsibility or commitment will probably hold you back between now and September. It would be a good idea to cut your losses if you can and start out on something new.

Don't try to keep up with an association that has ceased to be helpful. Although you will have heavy expenses early in the year and may find that one source of income falls off, yet money comes in very steadily after June and your income should reach a high level round about Christmas time and the New Year.

Schemes launched any time after the middle of June have an excellent chance of success.

Don't count upon relatives or old friends in any crises that may arise in 1949/50. You will do much better if your rely on fresh associates and look for financial backing in new quarters. A pleasant surprise in this connection is likely to develop either about June or December.

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Singapore Expensive**

I had often heard it said that it rains at noon every day in Singapore, and the day we arrived there, on route from the U.K. to Hong Kong, aboard the Canton proved no exception.

Shortly before midday the sky darkened suddenly and the rain came down in torrents. Within half an hour it stopped as suddenly as it had begun and the hot sun quickly gave the air the humidity of a Turkish bath.

That same morning an article in the "Straits Times" had informed its readers of the relatively low cost of transport and entertainment in Hong Kong, and, during the ship's stay in Singapore, those passengers who went into the town, in search of recreation, were to find the writer's assertion, that the Hong Kong dollar, though only half the value of the Straits dollar, 'took one just as far', was indeed correct.

A taxi hailed outside the dormitories, proved to have a Malay driver who spoke no English (a not uncommon defect among Singapore taxi-drivers) and as I wished to visit the swimming club, it was necessary to coax the driver by several pantomime gestures. He soon caught on and drove off at what must have been the most moderate pace I had experienced in the East, where for the most part, taxi drivers drive at top speed regardless of other traffic. The charge for this journey was more than double what it would have cost in Hong Kong.

Afternoon tea in the world famous Raffles hotel was enjoyable though expensive, and its luxurious bars were crowded with people whom I had assumed, at 4.30 in the afternoon, would have been at their desks in a city, where I had read the accent was more on work than pleasure.

No Night Life

A cinema seat cost the equivalent of nearly six Hong Kong dollars, and when later, I asked the manager why it was so expensive, he assured me that was entirely due to the high cost of living reflected in wages, and general services. It was essential to charge so much to make the business pay.

Night life seemed very dull, the city streets quiet and almost deserted in the week. The hotels seemed fairly well patronised but the cinemas, dance halls and cafes only sparsely attended. Not a tenth of blazing glittering neon lights to be seen everywhere in Hong Kong's crowded streets, adorned the drab buildings which housed entertainments here.

If the taxis were expensive, ample compensation was to be found in the well painted, silent running, clean and comfortable buses which run nearly everywhere in Singapore. It was on one of these that I went to see the magnificent Botanical Gardens, the friendly and informative conductor pointing out, as I stepped off, that the monkeys "expect to be fed". A stall out-

side the Gardens sold bags of peanuts for this express purpose and with one of these I set out in search of the monkeys. After wandering around the extensive and beautifully kept grounds for half an hour, I observed one very small animal who must have been keeping 'cave' hanging by his tail from a branch.

I produced the nuts and in a few seconds was surrounded by a horde of excited chattering monkeys of all shapes and sizes. One huge and villainous looking old fellow made repeated efforts to take the whole bag, and I was later told by one of the groundsmen that an old lady had once been feeding the creatures when the 'old man' had snatched her hand bag and refused to give it up except in exchange for the whole bag of peanuts she had held.

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Shops seemed to be fairly well stocked although on the whole not as well off as many I had seen on my travels out East. I saw many articles stamped "Made in Hong Kong". And native shops attempting to impress with the country of origin of an article, quoted Hong Kong much as though they would quote "English Made"! American goods were conspicuous by their absence, although both English and American cigarettes are on sale in many shops.

Speaking to a Planter from Singapore, I was surprised to learn that petrol is rationed even in this country. This man drove frequently into Malacca and Singapore through "joint territory" and although his Chinese conductor had been killed for refusing to pay protection money, he himself had not yet been molested.

He spoke feelingly of the slowness of Malaya's recovery and the deprivations of the cowardly bandit rabble into Britain's biggest dollar earning business.

He spoke, too, of conversations he had had with British troops in Malaya, of their justifiable resentment at the inadequacy of their pay, of the Officers' resentment at having to pay British income tax on Malayan service. I asked him what kept him in Malaya, what kept all Englishmen in Malaya, amongst heat and discomfort and danger and he laughed rather awkwardly. "I suppose it's the antithesis of that back home," he said.

An Acceptable Privilege

Not far from Kepel Road, where the docks stretch for miles along Singapore's water front, there is a swimming pool, that must be one of the loveliest in

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11.50 a.m.—Soviet Russian Choir.
12.00 p.m.—George Melchior and His Orchestra.
12.30 p.m.—Sports Results.
12.45 p.m.—Light Variety.
1.15 p.m.—New Weather Report and Announcements.
1.25 p.m.—Interlude.
2.00 p.m.—Close Down.
2.00 p.m.—Programme "Rhythmy".
2.01 p.m.—David Rose and His Orchestra.
2.05 p.m.—"Grand Gallop" Variety Orchestra with Janet Davis and Donald O'Connor, (BBC) (Studio).
2.15 p.m.—Music from Latin America.
2.30 p.m.—Weekly News-Letter, (London Relay).
2.45 p.m.—"Looking Ahead" A Review of the Week's Programmes (Studio).
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3.00 p.m.—World News and News Analysis, (London Relay).
3.10 p.m.—"My Song for You" Sung by Maurice Keeny, (BBC) (Studio).
3.30 p.m.—"The Old Wives' Tale" by Arnold Bennett, Adapted for Broadcasting by Muriel Levy (BBC) (Studio).
3.45 p.m.—"From the Editorials" (London Relay).
3.50 p.m.—Interlude.
3.55 p.m.—"Take from Her" (London Relay).
3.45 p.m.—"Symphony Concert" BBC Grand National Concerts No. 6 in B. Sir Alexander Keay, BBC Chamber Players, Faure, Pache, Op. 59... The Philharmonic Orchestra and Chorus, Vaughan Williams' "Job: A Masque for Dancing" BBC Symphony Orchestra.
4.00 p.m.—Epilogue Conducted by the Rev. P. Swain, R.A.F. (Studio).
4.15 p.m.—Weather Report and Close Down.

Bees In Their Bonnets?

Auckland, April 22.—Auckland dock workers working in a sugar ship valiantly dithled "bee nuisance money" because bees were buzzing around the split sugar.

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The 80 crew members, including two stewardesses, were charged under the Merchant Shipping Act. Prosecuting counsel said they had announced their intention to strike on April 3. Captain Alexander Kennedy, master of the Beaverbrine, said in cross-examination that the men had agreed to keep the ship clean and sanitary and had washed it down last week.

Cheers greeted the magistrate's decision.—Reuters.

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fame.

I wish I knew the rest of that,
because it exactly fits my present
position.

At this moment I am in Deal. I can see the sea from my rose-bordered bedroom window. (Imagine, the terror of Soho out in the open air!)

I am in Deal to play for my old school in a contest called the Bradford-Hewitt Cup.

Hey, look out! That man's making a break for the exit! Trip him! Head him off! Throw pepper in his face!

Fine. Bring him back here. Now you just listen.

There are nearly 600 of us around these parts. Fifty-six schools, 10 players a school, and a whole army of hangers-on hoping to get their colours if the captain of the Remoove should have to break his neck.

There are lean old boys, clean old boys, and a number of old boys so old that it seems possible that their seats of learning are no longer in existence.

And almost every single one of them is wearing an old school tie. Our school has an old school golfing tie and I'm going to get one. No ceremony, of course. No

massed singing in Big Hall, or the other boys' sisterly groupings around in picture rooms. I just haul over about a guitar, and I get it.

When I do get it I'm going to feel a lot more comfortable. All I have at the moment is three Burlington-arcade polka-dots, and to my mind every dot stands out like a searchlight. What you want round here is a modest diagonal stripe. Anything else is fancy dress, on a par with wearing a tux golf.

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Fine. Bring him back here. Now you just listen.

Only a short while ago I was

turking around with actress in a rendezvous in Piccadilly. (The captain gets to hear of this. I know who is going to be bending over a chair.)

Only a short while ago I was standing in the same room with Vivien Leigh, Hermione Gingold, Anne Crawford, and Dulcie Gray.

Sir Laurence and Lady Olivier were having a party. Couldn't wait to get round there, of course, to pick up all the gossip. It was only as I stretched out my white hand for another dry Martini that I suddenly realised that this was just the opposite of playing up, playing up, and playing the game.

What I ought to have been doing was lying in a cold bath at home, purifying nerve and sinew for the struggle ahead.

I bet, out of the 600-old old boys down here now, only one of them yesterday brushed past Miss Gingold and got a blast of that intoxicating perfume.

To tell the truth, I feel all kinds

or beast, or anything goes wrong

when the contest comes along.

But his captain's hand on his shoulder smote,

Play up! Play up! And play

the game!

That's it. That's better. It's all

coming back to me.

The trouble is—I'm not sure if I have played the game.

It's a bit queer seeing one's

former playmates dressed up in

double-breasted waistcoats before you've got to be a prefect.

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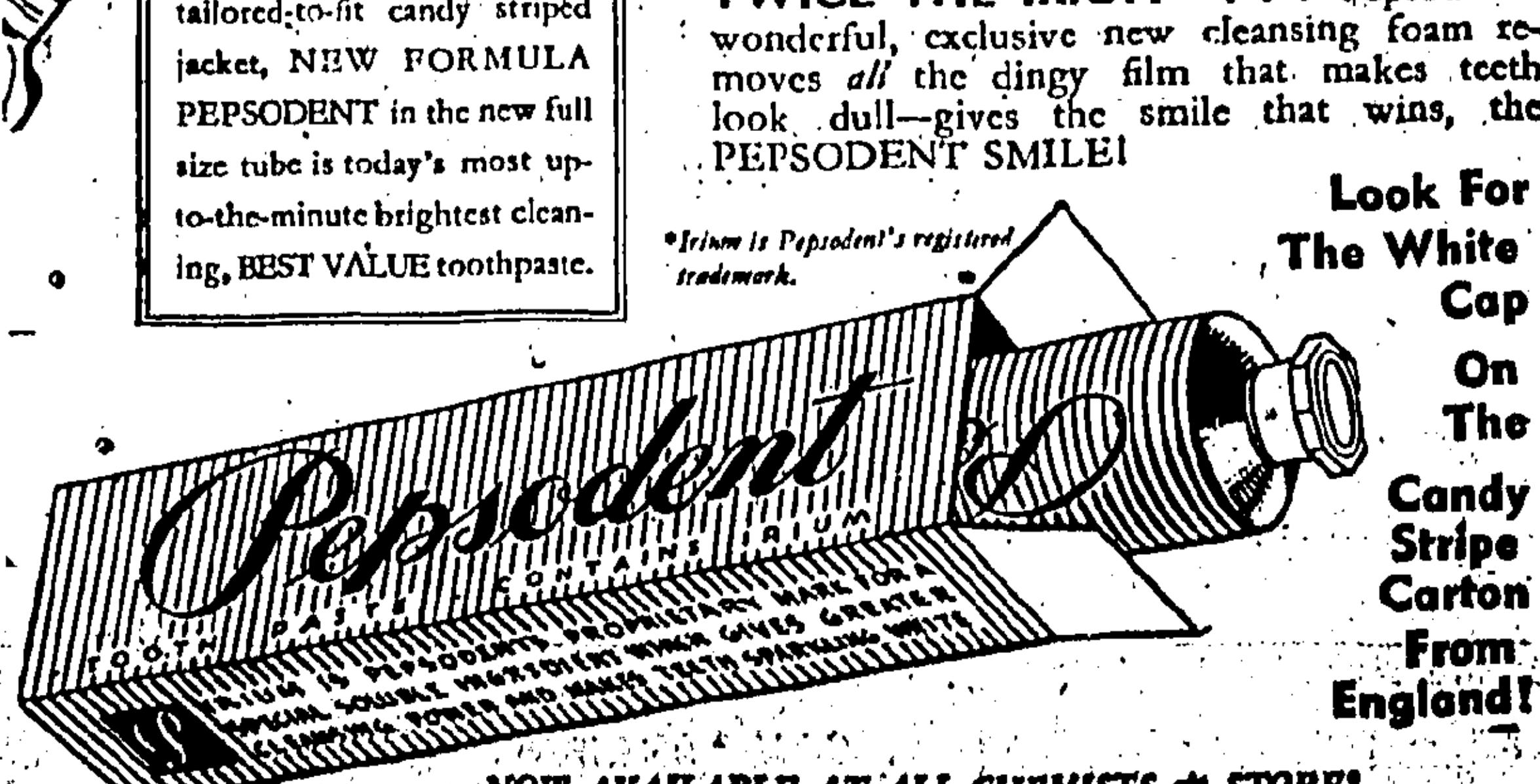
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GERMANS LIVE BETTER THAN THE RUSSIANS

Frankfurt, April 23. Defeated Western Germany has a higher standard of living than victorious Soviet Russia. Neither the Soviet worker nor the West German worker has regained his pre-war standard. But a comparison of the labour that each must do to buy certain necessities shows that the German has come back faster than the Russian.

TALKS ON GAMBOA CASE

Lake Success, April 22. Brigadier General Carlos Romulo, chief Philippines delegate to the United Nations, said today that he had, during the past few days, discussed the case of Sergeant Gamboa with Mr. Norman Makin, Australian Ambassador to the United States.

Gamboa, a Philippine-born American soldier, now in Tokyo, has been refused permission to visit his Australian wife and three children in Australia, because he is an Asiatic.

General Romulo asked Mr. Makin to impress on his Government the depth of feeling evoked in the Philippines by the exclusion of Sergeant Gamboa, he stated.

"Mr. Makin has communicated with both the Australian Prime Minister, Mr. Joseph Chifley, who is in London, and the Minister for Immigration, Mr. Arthur Calwell, and hopes we may be able to reach a solution."

General Romulo is leaving by air for Manila tonight for consultations with his Government, and expects to return to New York on April 28.—Reuter.

INDIA TO HOLD ELECTIONS

New Delhi, April 22. General elections in India are not expected to be held earlier than 1950, since the final electoral rolls will not be available before the end of this year.

Announcing this, the minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs told the Dominion Parliament that the preliminary electoral rolls under the new Constitution are expected to be finalised and printed by the end of 1949.—Reuter.

For clothing for instance, the U.S. Bureau of Labour Statistics says that a Moscow labourer must work from 483 to 571 hours to buy a man's single-breasted woolen suit. The price cuts recently proclaimed by the Soviets may have pulled down the price to from 425 to 502 hours.

The West German worker pays

for a medium quality woolen suit with 130 hours of work.

A Russian worker can get a woman's woolen dress for 102 hours of work. A West German worker labours 100 hours to buy a dress.

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The average cost of a pound of rye bread in Russia is 25 minutes of work. The West German worker buys it for 15 minutes' work. A pound of wheat bread costs the Russian 55 minutes work. The West German gets it for 30 minutes' work.

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The cost of labour for soap is Russia and 2½ hours in Western Germany: 90 minutes for a bar in Russia and 1½ hours in Western Germany.—Associated Press.

Poland Trying To Wreck The ILO

Pittsburgh, April 22. Sir William Lawther, President of Britain's National Union of Miners Workers, today accused Poland of trying to wreck the International Labour Office.

The charge came during an acrimonious exchange of criticism—the second between two delegations in the ILO Coal Mines Committee meeting.

Sir William replied to Poland's Kazimierz Nieszpoorek, who attacked the Western trade unions for withdrawing from the ILO, saying: "These withdrawals violate the most elementary principle of trade union democracies and caused amazement among all honest trade unionists throughout the world."

The British delegate immediately replied, accusing Poland of seeking to undermine the ILO. He said: "Let us cease

The Laugh Was On Showman

Wolverhampton, April 22. A Wolverhampton girl, aged 23, was awarded £200 damages for a broken leg here today against the proprietor of a fair ground side-show advertised as "Hi do Ho, If you can't laugh, don't come in here."

The girl told the judge that she was taken along a dark passage and made to sit on a seat in complete darkness. The seat collapsed and she was projected on to a conveyor belt which had a steep slope and a drop at the bottom. In the fall she broke her leg.—Reuter.

INDIA ACKNOWLEDGED LEADER IN THE EAST

Washington, April 23.

One of the outstanding impressions visitors to South East Asia get today is that India during 18 months of independence has assumed the role of leader of the Asian peoples.

A number of observers believe India offers the major hope for eventual political and economic stability of the turbulent area.

Some critics have been confounded by the fact that this Indian leadership has been sober and responsible and in no degree tinged with racial aspects.

The Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru, is generally conceded full credit for the moderation yet steadfastness of purpose with which India has approached such controversial regional questions as the Indonesian problem and continued civil strife in Burma. Foreign observers as well as Indian officials admit India still has some domestic difficulties of her own to solve.

Despite the fact that India still has a long way to go in solving some of her own problems, foreign observers are shocked, Brigadier General Frank L. Howley, American Commander in Berlin, said today on his return from a three-day visit to the Polish capital.

General Howley said his visit had no political significance and that he had merely gone to Warsaw on a pleasure trip. He had not talked with Polish political or military leaders.

He said: "The entire city resembles the worst part of Berlin. It would seem to me more practical to abandon it entirely and rebuild elsewhere, but the Poles are courageously working on reconstruction and are making some progress. Everyone in one in the city seems to be engaged in rubble clearance and they have built some fine new apartment houses on the outskirts as well as Government buildings."—United Press.

The conference of 19 Pacific Asian and Mid-East nations in New Delhi last January to consider the Indonesian problem provided one of the best examples yet of India's stature among her neighbours. Mr. Nehru had a major share in influencing the final form and wording of the resolution adopted by the conference. He avoided extremism of any sort in insisting upon a moderate yet firm approach in urging the Security Council toward an honourable end to the strife-torn Indies.

Accepted Leader

His statesmanship and India's influence were manifest in fact that conference at no time took on any aspects of East versus West or coloured races versus whites. Any attempt by more extreme elements to inject such an attitude into the conference was immediately and firmly beaten down by the Indians.

At the same time, Mr. Nehru successfully resisted the desire of individual groups to secure conference consideration of issues other than Indonesia. The Arab states represented at New Delhi had hoped the Asian nations could be brought to consider the Palestine question, but adroit Mr. Nehru thwarted this diversion of attention. Indian action in calling a meeting of interested countries to consider the Burmese problem was viewed by neutral sources as an outstanding example of a responsible approach by one newly freed people to help another achieve stability under independence.

Another trend which threatens to upset Indian neutrality is the growing belief amongst her leaders as well as those of countries such as Australia, New Zealand and the Philippines, that some form of South East Asian Regional Defence Pact must be brought into being. Accomplishing this without having the Russians blast it as another link in a United States plan to contain Communism undoubtedly would be considered a miracle.

Thus India, having assumed the leadership of her hemisphere, today finds herself on one of the hottest spots on the globe.—United Press.

REGENT TO SEE LEOPOLD

Brussels, April 23. Sources close to the Brussels Palace confirmed last night that the Belgian Prince Regent, Charles, is to meet exiled King Leopold in Switzerland.

The source declined to say where, but indicated it will be soon.

The meeting is an initiative from King Leopold in attempting to bring a solution to the royal question.

The return of Leopold himself to the throne is not likely to be at stake now.

The question is likely to be what are the conditions under which the King's eldest son, Prince Baudouin, would be brought back to Belgium to finish his education and again put him in contact with his country.

The King and his brother, the Prince Regent, are not in a position to decide the eventual return of the King and the end of the present Regency. The decision is to be taken by a vote of Parliament.

It seems that the present meeting is an attempt to bring a settlement of the Royal question before the coming elections, to take place at the end of June.

The information was front-paged in the late afternoon edition of the semi-official newspaper "Le Soir." Later, a source close to the Prince confirmed the news carried by "Le Soir."—Associated Press.

No Man's Land In Palestine

Damascus, April 22. Brigadier-General William Riley, United Nations Chief of Staff in Palestine, said after yesterday's meeting of the Syrian and Israeli delegations, negotiating a Palestine armistice, that neither the Syrian nor the Israeli forces have agreed to withdraw from their present positions.

He added that he had decided to leave No Man's Land of at least 600 metres between the two forces. The two delegations will meet again on Tuesday.

Official circles here said today that King Farouk of Egypt offered all moral and material help to Syria when Colonel Husni Zaim, the Syrian Prime Minister, visited him yesterday at his summer residence in Inchas.

These circles also expect Egypt and Saudi Arabia to recognise the new Syrian regime soon.—Reuter.

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Your life and Mine

by IRIS ASHLEY

When the Atlantic Pact was signed in Washington I thought what a beautiful city for such a good deed!

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I remember when I was in Washington that I wrote of spring in England. Thinking, with some homesickness, of the little white lambs which dot the gentle slopes around my Sussex home at this time of year.

Did you ever stand and watch while lambs give their senseless, frivolous little leaps into the air? It is so gay that even if you are alone it makes you laugh aloud.

Now, in England, I remember Washington. Right alongside the Governmental buildings is a kind of artificial lake, fed by the Potomac river and called the Tidal Basin, which is ringed by cherry trees.

April the sky over Washington was almost sure to be a bright, cloudless blue; and with their graceful branches leaning over and above the blue-reflecting water, the cherry trees were in full bloom.

To the world in general "Dumbarton Oaks" is the name which was given to an international monetary agreement.

But I remember a young man with stars in his eyes asking at a Washington cocktail-party, "What I seen the magnolias in bloom at Dumbarton Oaks?" Five minutes' drive took me to Dumbarton Park—and I smiled.

They were lovely magnolias all right; but I knew that my young friend was newly wed, newly out of the Navy, and not long out of a terrible war.

America's capital was planned (if you didn't know), to resemble Paris. So it is not surprising that the elegant width and gleaming shop-windows of Connecticut Avenue remind you of the Champs Elysees.

And leafy, residential Massachusetts Avenue (known locally, as Embassy Row) might easily end up at the Etoile and the Arc de Triomphe.

About eight miles from the Senate building brings you over the Potomac river into the Virginia countryside. Or, the other way, into the residential suburbs, with such pleasant names as Chevy Chase and Spring Valley.

Here are large and small Georgian type houses, which could have looked like square boxes, but instead delight the eye because of the pretty front doors and coloured shutters, on every house.

The climate and soil (and frankly, I believe, the inhabitants!) are against gardens. It was one thing I really missed.



Eighty-year-old Mrs. E.K. Richards (right) and another recipient display the silver coins of Royal Maundy and the small leather bags containing them, after the age-old ceremony at Westminster Abbey. Princess Elizabeth represented the King on this occasion. The ancient custom derives from the time when the reigning monarch washed the feet of poor persons on this day as an act of humility. — Associated Press photo.

Japan Is Jubilant

America is softening her occupation policy in Japan, and the applause of scores of textile managers jubilant at escaping what at one time seemed the inevitable breaking up of their industries, can be heard in Osaka.

Only a few months ago, reports Richard Hughes, the American Occupation authorities were planning to forbid the unified management by any one textile concern of more than one variety of textile spinning.

The plan was part of a country-wide attempt to deconcentrate Japan's industry in case it might become a too dangerous concentration of economic power.

By JOHN ASHWIN

Immediately the plan to split up the management of their industries was made known, however, the textile chiefs protested.

Surprisingly enough they were supported by visiting American

businessmen who pointed out to the authorities that such a process of deconcentration would only lower the efficiency of the industries and weaken the whole Japanese textile structure.

Now Washington has agreed. Of Japan's 10 major cotton spinning firms only one has had orders to reorganise into independent textile and trading companies. The rest have been given "clean sheets" and orders to produce cotton goods in whatever way and in as many varieties as they wish.

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Four years have passed since the German surrender to the ravages of the enemy. We must not forget how far back—how far to the West—the line is drawn.

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For, on a huge scale, the two world wars have done to Europe what the two Peloponnesian wars did to Ancient Greece. Exhausted by internal conflict, continents, like nations, become an easy prey to external aggression.

At the same time, the balance of power, in its widest sense, has been forever shifted. Europe no longer dominates the world. A hegemony which has lasted for 2,000 years is finally at an end.

For Europe, though of vital importance to the world for many reasons—with her large populations, her intrinsic wealth and capacity to produce wealth, her culture, and her traditions—stands between two great Powers, in the East and in the West, both superior in actual and mobilisable war potential.

No Third Force

In this situation, it was for a time a popular theory (not only on the Continent but in Britain) that Europe's future role was to act as a "Third Force"—a sort of mediator or honest broker between Communist Russia and Capitalist America.

It was because this notion was so widely entertained (especially in what are called "progressive circles") that the reaction against Mr. Churchill's Fulton speech was so violent. With his uncanny gift of prophecy, he saw into the future to most of us at that time still dark and obscure.

He saw, above all, the essential fallacy in this specious policy of European isolation. For Europe, by every test of what constitutes the very character of a civilisation, belongs to the West—to that New World which is itself the child and heir of the Old.

Three years—almost to a day—after the Fulton speech, was signed the Atlantic Pact. The Atlantic Pact is the reaction to Soviet aggression. It is a pact for defence. It is essentially a barrier, not a springboard.

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keep, have abandoned much valuable territory to the ravages of the enemy. We must not forget how far back—how far to the West—the line is drawn.

Apart from the actual conquests and consequential annexations of territory made by the Soviet Union since 1939—and these amount to 278,000 square miles and a population of 24 millions seized and incorporated, without the slightest pretence of consultation or consent—this line

is, even with Italy, the right wing is somewhat in the air. The whole line, never well entrenched across Europe, may be turned in the Eastern Mediterranean. It is, moreover, in this area that the forces of aggression can be most easily deployed. For if all Europe has been partially Balkanised, it is still true that in the Balkans the danger spot.

If, therefore, the Atlantic Pact is to be effective, it must as a matter of urgency be buttressed by a Mediterranean Pact. This must include Greece and Turkey; it must be extended as rapidly as possible from the Near East to the Middle East, above all to Persia.

The Communist pressure, temporarily checked in the West, will be brought to bear in the near future on these countries. Persia has up to now put up a splendid resistance. But it seems as if a fresh aggression was beginning.

It is essential that an immediate and authoritative "insurance cover" be extended to Persia as well as to Greece and Turkey, pending the formal conclusion of Mediterranean and Middle Eastern Pacts.

Greece In Danger

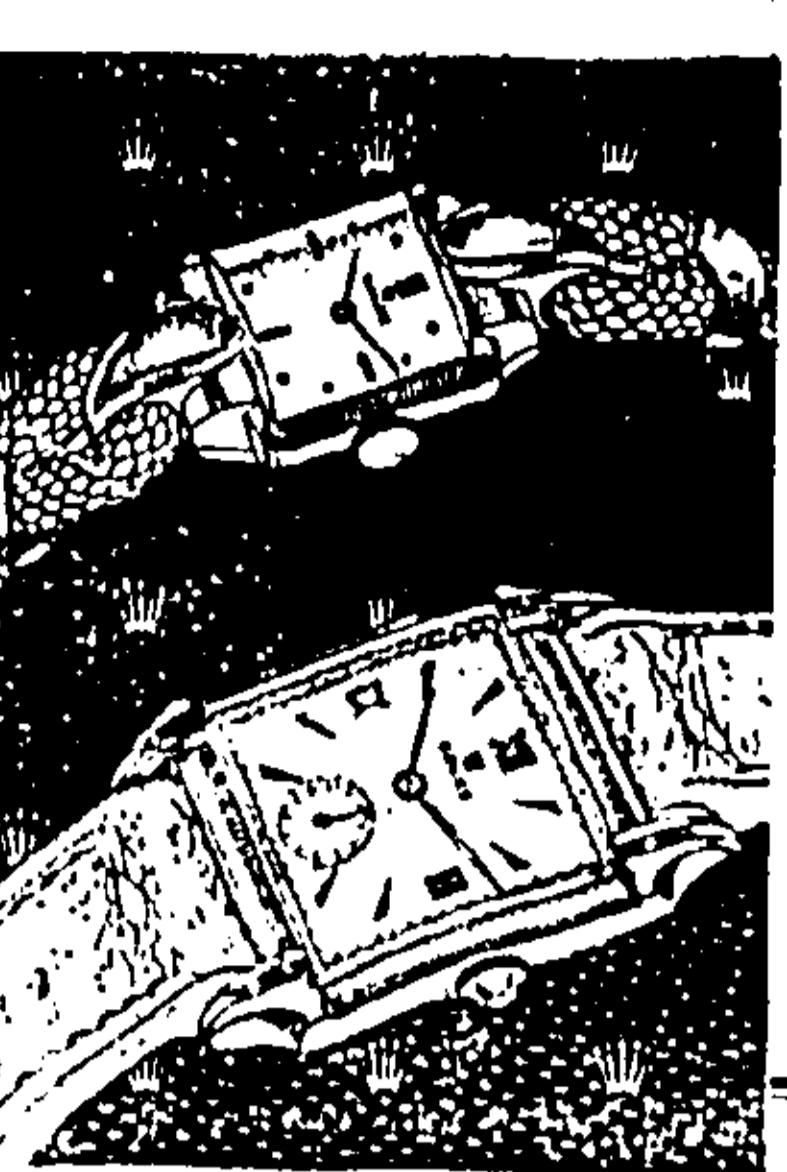
But something more is needed than words. Article 4 of the Atlantic Pact declares that "the parties will consult together whenever . . . the territorial integrity, political independence, or security of any of the parties is threatened."

In Greece all of them have been the subject of consistent attack for four years and more under the direct inspiration of Moscow. Greece is today on the verge of collapse, economically and politically. It is common knowledge that Moscow is plotting a Balkan coup, starting with Macedonia and ending in the liquidation both of Tito and of democratic Greece.

The crisis may come this summer. Are we ready? Are we preparing an active policy of intervention, with a joint Anglo-American command and fully integrated effort? This vital round in the struggle must be won.

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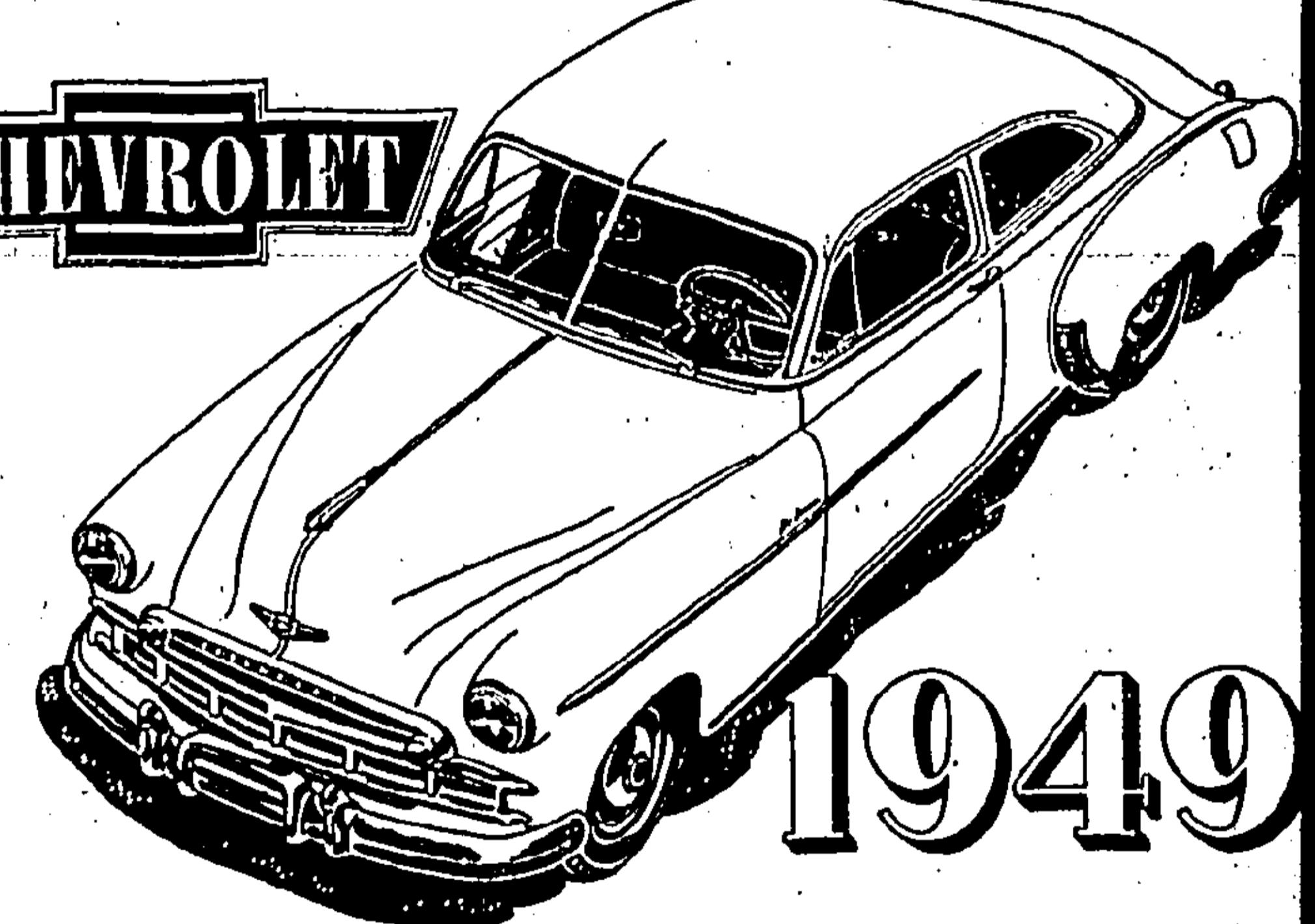
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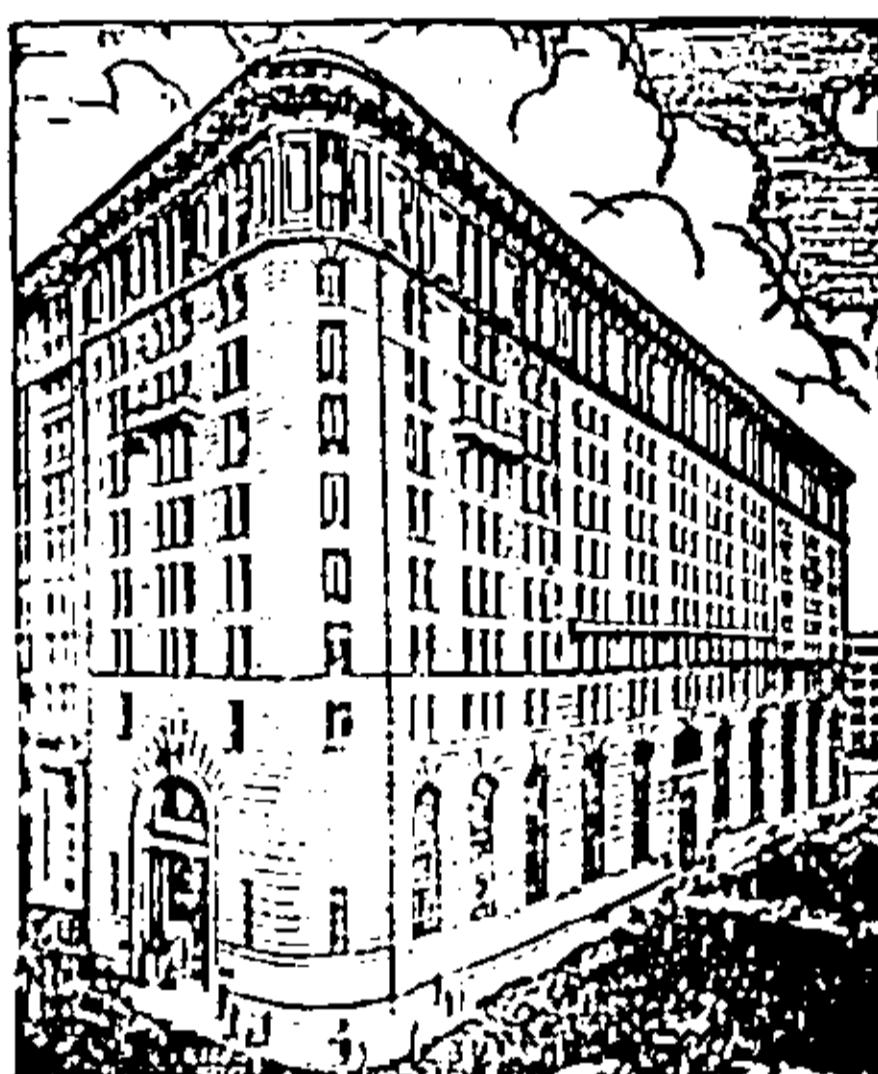
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On a cold November evening after tea, Mr. M., a Bedfordsire railway worker, pulled two sixpences from his trouser-pocket and sent his children to the cinema. Then he murdered his wife with a cudgel in the cellar. He took her false teeth and burned them with her clothes in the stove. The body he bundled into a sack, slung it across his bike, and trundled it to the River Len. Only a grey water-vole saw the splash.

For years of quarrelling and jealous suspicion that, to himself at least, were certainties, he now felt revenged.

When his two kiddies ran home, eyes lit with fun of the film entertainment, the kitchen stove fire shone warmly, and daddy sat reading the evening paper...

The body in the sack was found four days later by two early workers. They saw the sack among the river weeds at Luton.

Local police could not identify the battered victim. They sent for Scotland Yard.

Within two hours of receiving their phone call there remained only seven brown feather murder bags on the shelf in the CID superintendent's office at New Scotland Yard. The eighth bag was on its way to Luton. Chief Inspector "Cherub" Chapman and his assistant, Detective-Sergeant Bill Judge, were taking turns to carry it across St. Pancras Station. Chapman is now Superintendent in charge of the Flying Squad. He is still called "The Cherub"—because of his remarkably amiable, guileless face.

A Bulldog's Teeth

Yet sometimes one must remember his other, sterner nickname—"The Bulldog"; for when he sets his teeth in a problem he will never, never let go until the job is solved.

So that November afternoon he went to Luton. Next day I was reminded of his task. The fingerprints of the dead woman came into my office. They had been taken by the Bedfordsire police. We searched through our 10,000 records, but could not identify the woman.

So the Cherub had to go the long way round. It took him 12 weeks, by which time his eyelids were like breadcrusts with lack of sleep, and poor Bill Judge looked a drifting shadow.

Pictures of the murdered woman's face were taken, reconstructed and shown on cinema screens. Photographs went to every town and village—even throughout Eire. Churches and religious groups received batches.

Six families claimed the face as a "missing relative." Each was genuine in the belief—all were wrong.

Cherub Chapman sat on the edge of his boarding-house bed in Luton, smoked cigarettes, and grimly wondered.

The woman had no teeth. He sent impressions of the gums to every dentist in Britain. "Search

your records," he said. It was a dog, Bill!" They plodded in pursuit. The dog trudged ahead to the house with the three red brick steps where the railway worker lived.

A girl playing on the steps saw the two men after her dog, and obliquely wrestled from its mouth the sudden rag. "Is this yours—this is what you want?" she asked.

The Cherub nodded and took it. His face had gone bloodless and his skin crisped. Every hair on his scalp bristled like brush-wire.

The schoolgirl who looked up at the murdered woman, as she must have looked in life...

The two men turned away, clutching their shred of cloth. It was a sleeve torn from a woman's coat. faintly, on the inside, was a dry-cleaner's stamp.

They found the cleaner's shop, and stood while he turned up his ledger.

"Here—yes—'the dry-cleaner ran his chemical-stained finger along a written: 'Mrs. M....'"

The Cherub went back to the house with the red brick steps. The same shirt-sleeved railway worker answered his knock.

"My wife?" he said. "Why—Mrs. M. has gone to stay with friends in London. How long ago? Oh, quite a bit since. She writes me regularly—see! She pulled a handful of creased letters from his pocket.

They had Hampstead postmarks. One was only a few days old. The woman in the River Len had been dead for 14 weeks. So...

Three Months To Hide Traces

But the Cherub remembered how his scalp had prickled when he saw Mrs. M.'s daughter.

He walked to a telephone.

"Get me the Fingerprint Department at the Yard," he said. That he knew, was quicker than yet another "missing woman" yet seen in Hampstead.

Next morning Superintendent Fred Cherill and I climbed from the Humber police car that had carried us and our portable fingerprint laboratory to Luton.

The Cherub met us. "Did you bring bloodlights?" he asked. "M. house is lit only by gas-mantles."

We nodded. We'd brought everything.

"We've brought a copy of the river woman's fingerprints, too," I said. "If we find any that look like hers in M. house we can put you out of your agony quickly."

We started in the kitchen. But for three months Mr. M. had been shifting every trace of his wife from that house. Even the widest crockery on the remotest top shelf glistened from recent washing.

No fingerprints.

We took down the pictures—a wedding photograph; two lithographs of country scenes. There was no dust on them. The frames had been wiped clean.

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At one house the door was answered by a powerfully built railway worker in his shirt sleeves. Children were playing in the back-yard. A black-and-white dog stood on the step with his master, Chapman showed the man the photograph. The man inspected it stoutly and shook his head.

"Never seen her," he said. Nor, apparently, had his neighbours.

Chapman descended the three red brick steps, watched by man and dog, and continued from door to door.

To his superiors at the Yard he begged: "Give me another week." They agreed. The search went on.

Finally, with bluff sympathy, his superiors said: "You're tired, man. Take a rest. We can shelve the inquiry for a while. Nobody can do the impossible."

Said Chapman: "Give me another two days."

It was on the second of those days, with bags packed in the front "hallway" of their Luton boarding-house and Home Office railway warrant in his wallet for the journey to London, that Cherub Chapman saw the black-and-white dog again.

It was scratching eagerly at some loose earth where tins and debris had been thrown on waste land.

Chapman and Judge blinked heavily, watched. The dog had found a scrap of cloth. It shook the filthy rag, pretending it was a rat. Then it trotted off.

Chapman shouted: "Grab that

What's Happening Inside Yugoslavia

By DAVID LEE

As

Spring slowly creeps across the uncanny map of Europe, the eyes of the world are again upon the Balkans, and Marshal Tito's Yugoslavia?

What is happening right now behind the iron curtain inside Yugoslavia?

I have just spent a week trying to find out by talking to Yugoslavs, who have in the past few

(last year Yugoslavia sent to Albania alone 25,000 tons of wheat and one and a half million pairs of shoes).

Life is still grim in Yugoslavia, even when compared to British austerity standards. In Slovenia recently, housewives received their first meat ration (four ounces a week) in six months.

Smokers have no such worries. Cigarettes of Balkan tobacco are cheap and plentiful, if you like them, and Yugoslavia do.

Yugoslavia's direct need at present is industrial machinery and equipment. Travellers report newly-constructed factories in many parts of the country standing empty, awaiting machinery.

There is the "Litostrol" iron Works at Ljubljana; machine factories in Zagreb, Belgrade and Sarajevo; an aluminium plant near Ptuj (Slovenia), as well as oil wells near Kutilna (Croatia) and at least three hydro-electric plants awaiting machinery and equipment.

There are important potential orders here for the West—when Tito finally realises that he has been irrevocably excommunicated by Moscow.

The Yugoslav Army is unreservedly behind Tito. Its estimated strength is 30 divisions, including armoured divisions, numbering 250,000 men, it is second in Eastern Europe only to the Red Army, and larger than its neighbours' total forces.

The number of deserters has been comparatively small, and these have mostly been officers trained in Moscow and dyed-in-the-wool Communists.

Yugoslavia's new heavy industry—which a few months ago was manufacturing tractors—is now engaged completely in war production.

For Fortifications

The Iron Factory at Jesenice (Slovenia) is today turning out armour-plating (10 to 15 centimetres thick) which is being used to build fortifications, not at the frontiers as one might think, but in the heart of the country.

Strongholds are being constructed in the wild hills of Bosnia, Herzegovina and South West Serbia where, in the event of invasion, Tito and his followers might hold out for months, if not years, as they did in these regions against the Germans.

Inside Yugoslavia there is little organised opposition against Tito. Some of the old-time Communist leaders obediently followed the Cominform line, but most of them have been removed from public office in wide-spread purges (especially in Macedonia and Serbia).

Meanwhile Yugoslavia's vast socialist experiment goes on—the industrialisation and modernisation of a primitive agricultural country.

Youth of Yugoslavia continues to back Tito's experiment enthusiastically, even though the Cominform attack has forced him to abandon the Five-Year Plan.

Hundreds of thousands of young workers are daily engaged building such projects as the new Belgrade, the 400,000 horse-power hydro-electric plant on the Neretva river, the Zagreb to Belgrade highway, and the new capital of Montenegro, Titograd.

It is anyone's guess what will happen inside Yugoslavia within the next few weeks, say the refugees and travellers from across the Iron Curtain.

But, unless Russia makes an unlikely volte-face and takes Tito back into the Communist fold, Yugoslavia must turn eventually towards the West.

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CROWD'S THREAT TO COMMUNIST LEADER

Indignation Over Yangtse Attacks

Tribute To Yangtse Dead

London, April 22. Guests at the annual luncheon of the Norwegian Chamber of Commerce stood for a minute in silence today as a tribute to the British naval men killed in China.

Mr. Frederick Holst, President of the Chamber, said: "The Norwegians have followed with great admiration and sympathy the recent events in China. We congratulate those men who, unflinchingly and no courageously, stood up for the traditions of the Royal Navy and for the principles we are ad-

BRITONS IN ANGRY MOOD

London, April 22. Britain is seething with anger because of the Chinese Communist attacks on British warships in the Yangtse, but there appears to be little that Britain can do.

None of the great powers

not even Russia recognises the Chinese Communist regime as the government. Thus a diplomatic protest appears to be unlikely.

And there is no chance of collecting damages.

Observers say that Britain apparently has the choice of shooting it out with the Communists or getting its men out of the fighting zone.

While publicly seriously considering major military action, the idea of retreating before the Chinese Reds is almost as distasteful because Britain feels free to be on the prestige would result.

We Were Right

A Foreign Office spokesman said British warships clearly have a right to sail the Yangtse.

Under International Law, foreign warships may sail the inland waters of a country if the home government gives permission.

In this case, the Nanking Government had agreed to ship movements.

A Government source said the Cabinet will discuss the situation on Monday and a Government statement will probably be made in the House of Commons on Tuesday.—United Press.

Jerusalem, April 22. The Israel Army here today turned over to the Arab Legion about 350 Arab prisoners of war who had been held in Israeli camps.—Reuter.

High Blood Pressure Kills Men & Women

Twice as many women as men suffer from High Blood Pressure, which starts at the time of Change of Life and is the real cause of much heart trouble and death. The most common symptom of High Blood Pressure are: Nervousness, headache, a stiff neck, head, dizziness, short breath, pains in heart, palpitation, poor sleep, loss of memory and energy. If you have any of these symptoms, don't delay treatment a single day, because your life may depend on it. Hynox reduces High Blood Pressure with the first dose, takes a heavy load off the heart, and gives you a new lease of life for a few days. Get Hynox from your chemist today. It is guaranteed to make you feel fit and strong again back

to work.

Dartmouth, April 23. An enraged mob drove Britain's Communist leaders, Harry Pollitt, to cover in a house here last night after breaking up a political meeting where he discussed the Chinese Communist shelling of four British warships.

Pollitt took refuge in the house after police snatched him to safety from the meeting. He was still marooned there two hours later while the police attempted to restore order.

One member of the crowd—Mr. C. F. Akhurst, who lost his son, John Cecil Akhurst, aged 20, in Consort had given Pollitt a rope and a note suggesting that he hang himself. The crowd burned the Red flag which draped the speakers' platform.

After Pollitt ducked into the house, fist fighting broke out between his followers and members of the mob, estimated by the police at about 1,000.

People surrounded the house shouting: "Your name should be Pollitt's" and "We will be fighting the Russians before we are finished."

Dartmouth, a navy town, is the site of the Royal Naval Academy. Feelings ran high here over the shelling of the British warships in the Yangtse.

Crowd's Temper

When the atmosphere at the meeting became threatening, police grabbed Pollitt and hurried him away up a side street.

The incident here constituted the most dramatic reaction in Britain to the attack on the British naval vessels.

The temper of the crowd at the meeting became evident when Pollitt suddenly cut short a speech to the British Embassy at Nanking.

Some diplomats suggest that the British Admiralty and the Foreign Secretary, Ernest Bevin, may have a difficult time satisfying their critics that they were wholly right in having a warship proceed between the two belligerent forces on the eve of the Communist offensive.

London newspapers splashed the story of Amethyst and the other ships again. Less than half the newspapers comment editorially. The "Manchester Guardian" calls for a "full and frank statement" from the Government when Parliament reconvenes on Tuesday.—Associated Press.

Judas Iscariot

Then a man who lost a son in the Yangtse fighting broke through and showed the rope and a note at Pollitt. The police said the note read:

"Judas Iscariot was present with one of these and used it. I invite you to do likewise. Signed, C. F. Akhurst, father of one of the boys murdered on the Yangtse."

The Communist shelling was denounced by Viscount Hall, First Lord of the Admiralty, as "an unprovoked attack deliberately carried out for what purpose we have yet to learn."

He made the charge in a speech at Cardiff. He said Britain has kept a naval vessel in the Chinese river at Nanking for some time for the purpose of giving some security to British people and for the purpose of com-

munication.

Difficult To Answer

The Foreign Office admitted it had not told Chinese Communists about the river trip of the sloop Amethyst before shore batteries

RUSSIANS PLAN TO ATTACK

Biloxi, Mississippi, April 22.

Retired Lieutenant-General Ira Eaker said in a speech today: "Russia plans to attack our country when her dictator thinks he can win."

He added that the United States never stood in greater peril than it does today.

He declared that the Russians took great pains to make certain that all United Nations efforts for peace failed.

Admitting that the might be accused of being a warmonger, General Eaker said one reason he retired as Air Force commander was so he could "call it a spade a spade, a Communist, a Communist and a traitor a traitor, without fear of embarrassing the War Department or Congress."

He said that the Red menace is on the march in the East and West.

Stalin is following Hitler's Mein Kampf "chapter by chapter, verse by verse," he said.

—United Press.

CITY OF LONDON'S SYMPATHY

London, April 23.

The Lord Mayor of London, Sir George Aylwin, sent a message to the Admiralty expressing grave concern over the shelling by Chinese Communists of British ships in the Yangtse River.

The message, which was relayed to the commander of the Royal Navy's Far Eastern station in Shanghai, said: "Citizens of London join with me in expressing grave concern over incidents in Yangtse, while offering deepest sympathy with families who sustained loss of dear ones. They are full of admiration for the great courage displayed by all in unexpected circumstances."—United Press.

Greek Rebel Peace Plea

Rome, April 22.

The rebel Greek radio, heard in Trieste, was reported yesterday to have broadcast an appeal to the United Nations for peace in Greece.

The guerrillas promised "the greatest concessions" in order to bring about peace "although the guerrilla army is invincible."

The appeal to the United Nations broadcast, the report said, asked "all democrats of the world to unite to bring and end to the fratricidal war in Greece."

The rebel Greek radio repeated the appeal all day and also broadcast it in French.

"We are ready to put an end to the war as soon as the possibility of living without fear of death and summary execution is restored in Greece and as soon as the most elementary rights of man are restored," the broadcast said.—Associated Press.

DEMAND FOR COMPENSATION

London, April 22.

The Communist "Daily Worker" today demanded that the Government pay the relatives of the British Navy dead in the Yangtse "incident" special compensation.

An editorial, entitled "Necless Deaths," called on the Government to explain why ships were sent up river on the eve of a crucial battle.—United Press.

BRITISH NOTE REJECTED

Sofia, April 22.

Bulgaria has rejected recent British and American notes protesting that the Sofia Government had violated the "freedom" clauses of the Peace Treaty.

The Bulgarian reply termed the wording of the notes "unfriendly propaganda" against Bulgaria compatible with international usages."—Reuter.

Lollipop Day Worries Them

London, April 22.

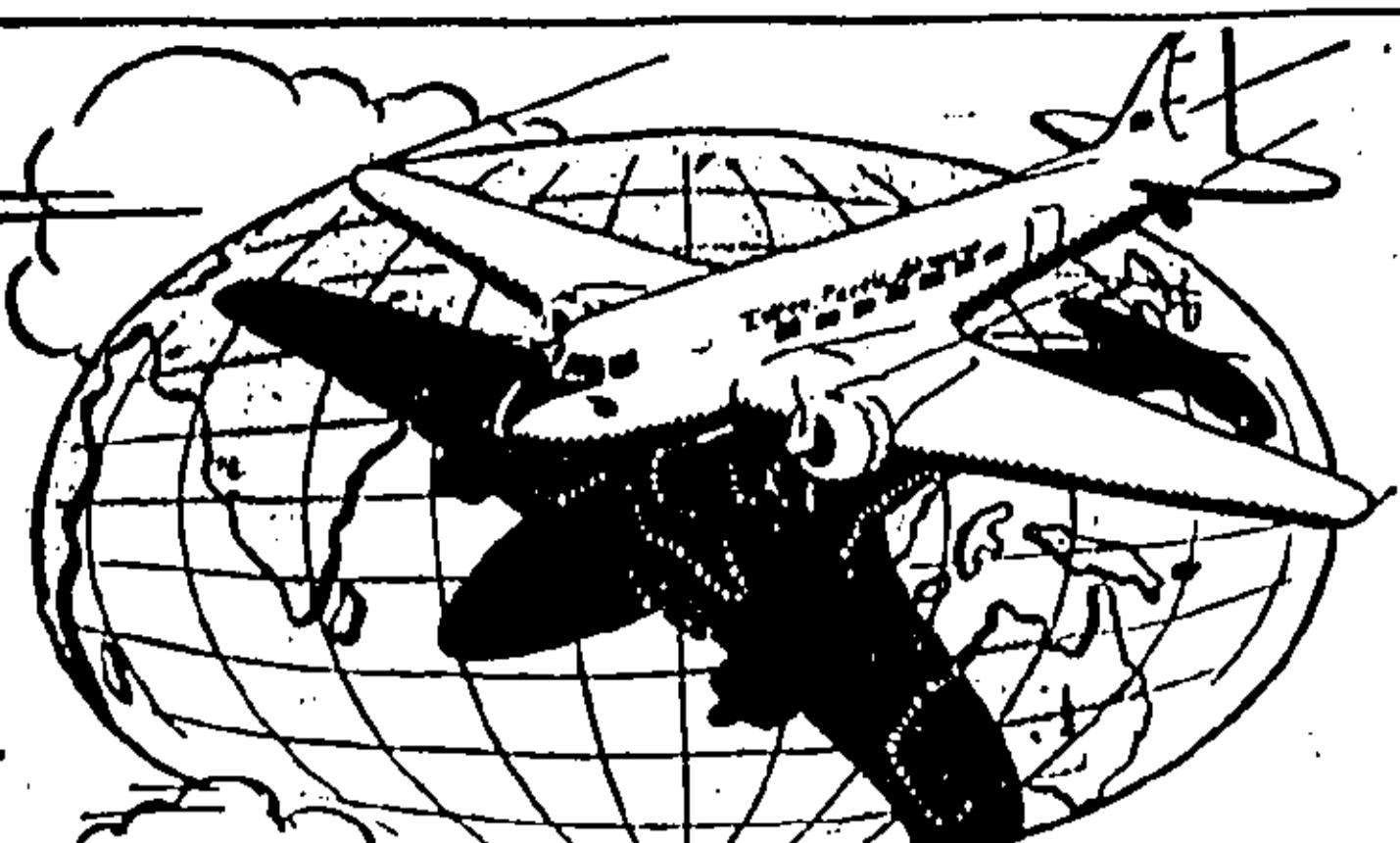
Sweet makers are worried about the reaction of 50 million Britons to the end of seven years of sweet rationing on Sunday—nicknamed by the public "Lollipop Day."

With 3,500,000 British children between the ages of five and nine, who have never before been able to buy sweets freely, go on a wild lollipop orgy!

Experts said this particular complication will be one of the biggest risks taken in the field of Government de-control. Against the present ration of four ounces per head week supplies will only provide five ounces per head.

This compares with a pre-war consumption of seven ounces per head per week.—Reuter.

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MORAHAN—to Dorothy, wife of
H. J. B. Morahan, on 22nd
April at the Queen Mary
Hospital, a son.

FREEDOM OF THE
BUREAUCRAT

It is good to know there
is real freedom in Hong
Kong. True, it is restricted
to Government and senior
civil servants, and will al-
most certainly remain so
until the colony is eventual-
ly absorbed by the new
China. But the ordinary
citizen can be relieved that
he has not the slightest res-
ponsibility for the conduct
of his own community affairs.
All he has to do is to pro-
vide the millions necessary
for the operation of a semi-
totalitarian administration,
manned by benevolent de-
spots who by some fortunate
circumstance can never make a mistake.

We have been criticised in
the past for censuring govern-
ment employees "who
cannot hit back." No? In
the first place, they are just
as able as any ordinary
human being to write letters
to the Press, under the pseudo-
nonyms used by the major-
ity of correspondents. But
that is only a method of letting
off steam. What the
bureaucrat can—and does—
do is to interpret laws ac-
cording to his own ideas, and
impose them on the public.
This is real power, real free-
dom.

Those of us who have lived
in Britain, even under its
post-1939 morass of regulations,
experience a nightmarish feeling of frustration
in our first months in Hong
Kong. As the years pass,
however, the sensible ones
accept the inevitable (prob-
ably no thinking person ex-
pects that the colony will
ever have democratic rep-
resentation), and some even
achieve the pinnacle of social
success by being invited to
lunch or cocktails by heads
of government departments.

This preamble has partic-
ular reference to the de-
veloping official attitude to-
wards the gold ban, typical
of the excellence of the local
scheme of things. A sudden
step is taken, under the still
extant Emergency Regu-
lations, and the details are
worked out by loyal civil ser-
vants. There may, of course,
be considerable hesitation,
confusion and contradiction,
as there was in this case, but
it is hardly cricket even to
mention this. The situation
was finally clarified on
Thursday by Mr. K. M. A.
Barnett, Deputy Financial
Secretary, who included the
friendly warning that news-
papers must not publish any
manner of gold bullion trans-
actions, even in reports com-
ing from overseas.

Anticipating this, the
"China Mail" instructed its
representative to read a
statement explaining its position:
that this newspaper has
no sympathy for local gold
speculators, and was willing
to omit quotations of the
sale of bar gold in Hong
Kong, in order to help the
government, although this
was regarded as a basic viola-
tion of the freedom of the
Press. It was emphasised,
however, that if the auth-
orities attempted to ban pub-
lication of any news what-
soever from outside, such a
move could not be counten-
anced. Mr. Barnett appeared
ed, understandably, to be un-
impressed.

It is obviously ridiculous
for newspapers to regard this
as a first move towards can-
cerization of the only available
public forum, especially in

Kuomintang And The Reds

RUSSIA STIRS
UP ASIA

By ARTHUR BAILEY

Vishinsky can pick one winner at least straight out of his Foreign Office hat. That is the way all Asia is boiling up to Russia's advantage.

Communists in some countries, Nationalists in others, are causing the mischief, but, whatever their tint, they are all, willingly or unwillingly, fighting his battle in the East against Western Democracy.

Trouble is brewing all the way from Manchuria to India, China, French Indo-China, Malaya, Dutch Indonesia, and Burma are all "hot spots."

Dutch Struggle

Dutch East Indies (70,000,000 people).—Here the Dutch—like the French in Indo-China—are struggling to keep Indonesia inside a Dutch Union (similar to the French Union).

Again, like the French they are fighting a local Nationalist independence movement, centred on Java, wanting an independent Indonesian Republic.

Malaya (6,000,000 people).—Five thousand Chinese Communists are the trouble here. They started a revolt last June and, fighting in bands from jungle hide-outs, are spreading terror up and down the country.

So far we have killed about 300 or captured 600 of them, while we have also jailed 5,300 known Communists and fellow-travellers.

Strong British forces, including a brigade of Guards, are facing a stiff task trying to quell the rising, while up to December 21 the operations had cost us £635,000.

Some British planters fear that if the present troubles continue much longer the rubber and tin industries will break down.

Burma (17,000,000 people).—After breaking away from the British Commonwealth, under Thakin Nu, he is fighting an insurrection by the Karen hill tribesmen and the White Flag Communists (as opposed to other Communists supporting the Government).

The Karen, who are a different race from the Burmans, want a separate Karen State inside the Union of Burma. The Communists seem to have joined forces with them for their own ends, as the Karen are strongly anti-Communist.

So far, according to Thakin Nu, the fighting has cost 30,000 lives, over £18,000,000 in loss of revenue, and reduced the country to "absolute poverty."

India (400,000,000 people).—Though numerically weak (about 100,000 party members), India's Communists are well organised and have a considerable grip on the trade unions.

Rail Sabotage

Last month 500 Communist leaders were arrested throughout the country because the Government received information that they were organising sabotage of the railways.

There are only about 50,000 Communists among the 300,000 railway workers, but their leaders control two of the unions.

One country holding a key position along this vast front, you will notice, has not been mentioned—Siam (17,000,000 people).

That is because Siam is relatively free from Communists. They are mostly to be found among its 4,000,000 Chinese minority.

So far they have not been politically active, but in view of Mao Tse-tung's success in China and help for the Malay rebels organised on Siam's Malay frontier, the Siamese Government, pro-claimed a state of emergency "to combat the growing Communist menace."

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The unfortunate Kwangsi Militarist, General Li Tsung-jen, undertook a hopeless task when he assumed the responsibilities of Acting-President of the Chinese Republic, without the power to implement them.

For when the Generalissimo withdrew from the Presidency, and returned to his native village, he did not relinquish his authority or influence over many of his military subordinates, or his hold upon China's remaining Treasury funds, or withdraw from active participation in Chinese politics.

Chiang Kai-shek had opposed the election of General Li as Vice-President of the Republic, and favoured that of the now discredited Dr. Sun Fo, who may be described as a "step-nephew" of his wife. That Acting-President Li had no real power was demonstrated within a few days of his accession to the post, when he ordered the release of the Young Marshal, Chang Hsueh-liang, who is at present in custody in Formosa.

The explanation given for this defiance of his orders was that the Young Marshal's detention had been ordered by the Chinese equivalent of Gestapo (the secret organisation created by the late General Tai Li), and that only orders from its headquarters could be accepted as valid. A few weeks later it became known that Treasury funds estimated at about US\$100,000,000, had been removed to Amoy and Formosa by the Generalissimo's orders, and were not available either for protecting China's currency, or for arrears of pay to the Nationalist forces.

No Loyal Subordinates

Among China's military leaders General Li Tsung-jen has no loyal subordinates other than his former Kwangsi colleague, Pai Chunk-hai. The Shanghai Garrison Commander, General Tang En-po, who appears to have under his control all the Nationalist forces in the vicinity of the mouth of the Yangtze, and who has installed one of his henchmen as Acting Mayor of Shanghai, ignores the Acting President's orders and strictures.

It is extraordinary that so little has been heard of the fantastic developments that have followed the Red occupation of Tientsin. Foreigners who have been there port recently state that the conduct of the Red troops after entering the city was exemplary, but that complete chaos accompanied attempts to administer the area. Unemployment is increasing by leaps and bounds. Rickshaw coolies were ordered off the streets on the ground that it was unseemly for human beings to act as beasts of burden. But as no alternative means of livelihood was found for them they rioted and reassured their right to earn their living in their customary way.

Orders were issued that no Martians Customs official was to draw a salary above the equivalent of US\$5 a month, thus reducing

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THE WEST AND GERMANY

The French did not dislike it, because they wanted Germany broken up into number of units; but they were very gratified towards any project implying unification.

The next step was to reform the currency, without which no real economic or political progress was possible.

Unfortunately it was far too long delayed—chiefly because of the non-cooperative attitude of Russia, which would neither take

part in any scheme nor consent that one should be introduced with out her.

But when, less than a year ago, the reform was carried through in the Western zones the tonic effect, both economic and political, was very great. This was seen clear to develop some kind of federation of the "Laender" and a German Parliamentary Council to draft a German Constitution. Yet in the last few months the prospects have grown less favourable again. The German economic authorities have not dealt wisely with the problems arising out of currency reform. The German Constitution-makers have been unable to agree on a Constitution.

The three Powers have differed both among themselves and from the Germans as to the terms of the Occupation Statute under which the new constitutional authority should function.

We have seen too much of the "Laender" success to be enthusiastic about a veto in Germany; and the subjects over which it can operate—security, occupation costs, new German laws, and existing control regulations—make up (though restricted by definitions) a formidable field.

Perhaps the veto that disallows laws may give the most trouble. Some power of disallowance may be thought inevitable; but how much, and wielded by whom?

We are to set up in Western Germany a complete system of legislatures, provincial and central, and we wish the people to develop the sense of responsibility which only autonomy can breed. Can we look for that result if we make their laws subject to foreign approval, except not by a single authority, but severally by three?

On this matter, and on the now text of the Occupation Statute, the value of the Washington agreement may largely come to turn. The Statute has been sent to Bonn for the German Constitution-makers to examine.

The German people must be asked to accept, in view of their record in 1914 and 1939, the necessity for their prolonged disarmament.

Inheriting a strong military tradition, many will regard this as humiliating; but to them we simply cannot defer, and they must be told so courteously but firmly.

SURPRISE MEETING AT COMMONWEALTH TALKS IN LONDON

The Prime Ministers of five British Dominions held a surprise meeting tonight to discuss the first vital point that has arisen in the London talks on India's future relations with the rest of the British Commonwealth.

The three other Dominion statesmen now in London for the talks were absent from the two-hour meeting in Downing Street.

This followed a secret plenary session of all eight Commonwealth nations, which heard proposals from the Indian Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru.

TRAGIC ROAD TO NEW WAR

Hamilton, New York, April 22. Mr. William C. Bullitt, former United States Ambassador to Russia and France, said tonight: "It is tragically clear that war is coming to the United States."

The former career diplomat expressed his views in an address prepared for Colgate University's fourth annual series of lectures on human relations.

Mr. Bullitt, who spent 30 years in the State Department, attacked American foreign policy since the last war.

He contended that it had been America's practice "to enshroud our foreign relations in amateurism, with good intentions and small knowledge of fact."

"In consequence," he added, "the road toward peace runs through another valley of death."

"We are indeed at this moment making certain the advent of a third world war by permitting Stalin to add the race and resources of Asia to his war potential," he added.

He blamed the Roosevelt administration for what he termed a conviction that "Stalin could be appealed into abandoning Soviet imperialism for democratic collaboration." Reuter

Australia and New Zealand are understood to have followed him with statements stressing the importance of the Crown as a Commonwealth link, thus pin-pointing the problem of keeping India within the Commonwealth after it becomes a republic.

India, Canada (represented by the Foreign Minister, Mr. Lester Pearson) and South Africa (Dr. Daniel Malan) were the three countries that did not attend the later meeting, which was specially called to discuss in detail the Australian and New Zealand points of view on the Royal symbol.

Present were Mr. Clement Attlee (Britain), Mr. Joseph Chifley (Australia), Mr. Peter Fraser (New Zealand), Liaquat Ali Khan (Pakistan) and Mr. D. S. Senanayake (Ceylon).

The next plenary session of the conference will be on Monday afternoon.

Between this morning's conference and tonight's meeting, Prime Minister Nehru had a long talk with Mr. Attlee at 10 Downing Street.

Crown Link

At this morning's meeting Mr. Nehru spoke at length upon his country's position, indicating India's willingness to co-operate in the Commonwealth if this could be done without prejudice to her republican status and national independence.

The atmosphere of the talks was extremely cordial, with no sharp divisions of opinion, though Australia and New Zealand are believed to have made special

points about the Crown link. Some of these appear to have found some support from Pakistan.

The points were reserved for discussion at tonight's special meeting, from which it is suggested, a joint statement might be prepared for consideration at the next plenary session, which will mark a new stage in the discussions.

The attitude of the Canadian and South African leaders is believed to have reflected an optimistic address toward the constitutional problem which confronts the eight statesmen.

Legal Points

Mr. Nehru left London this afternoon to spend the week-end with Earl Mountbatten—who carried out the transfer of power to India and Pakistan in 1947—and Countess Mountbatten at their country estate, Broadlands, Hampshire, in West England.

The Commonwealth talks involve not only the Commonwealth "Great Eight," but also their advisers and a number of leading British Ministers.

These include Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, who was prominently identified with the arrangements for the transfer of power in India—the Deputy Prime Minister, Mr. Herbert Morrison, the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, and Britain's two chief law officers—Viscount Justice, Lord Chancellor, and Sir Hartley Shawcross, the Attorney-General.

The law officers will advise on the legal adjustments which will be necessary in any new Commonwealth concept agreed upon.

Behind The Scenes

The conference figures will disperse over the week-end, but individual informal contacts between groups may help to crystallise the issues before the Monday plenary meeting.

Mr. Attlee tonight went to Chequers, his official country residence in Buckinghamshire, 40 miles from London.

Intense activity behind the scenes in the Commonwealth Prime Minister's conference here is spotlighted by individual meetings arranged by the statesmen among themselves.

Today Mr. Lester Pearson had a talk with Mr. Chifley. Mr. Chifley had a breakfast meeting with Mr. Nehru.

"Tomorrow, Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan will meet Mr. Pearson. Later he will have talks with Mr. A. V. Alexander, British Defence Minister, and Sir Harold Parker, Permanent Under-Secretary to the Ministry of Defence."—Reuter

Walk-Out By King's Surgeon

Berlin, April 22. Professor Ferdinand Sauerbruch, German surgeon who operated on King George V in 1929, walked out of a denazification court for doctors in the British sector.

He did so, he said, as a protest against attacks on his honour by a member of the Judicial Commission before which he was appearing.

He was 72 and came to the United States last December to survey cancer research in that country.—Reuter.

CANCER EXPERT DEAD

New York, April 22. Dr. Ludwig Halberstaedter, of Jerusalem, a noted radiologist and a pioneer in cancer therapy, has died of a heart ailment.

He was 72 and came to the United States last December to survey cancer research in that country.—Reuter.

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Compulsory Medical Insurance For U.S.?

Washington, April 22. President Truman asked Congress again today to agree to compulsory medical insurance as part of a new national health scheme.

In a special message to Congress, the President said the traditional method of paying for medical care cannot meet the health needs of today.

President Truman recommended that Congress provide a system of Government payment of medical bills from a fund to be collected by special taxes.

The President also asked for:

1.—Government financial aid for the expansion of medical schools.

2.—Federal aid for the construction of hospitals and other medical facilities in communities where they are needed.

3.—Increased Federal grants to help State and local governments in controlling certain diseases and promoting maternal and child health services, services for crippled children and general public health activities.

President Truman declared: "As a nation we have not yet succeeded in getting the benefits of the scientific advances available to all who need them."

Bitter Battle

"Our objective must be twofold—to make available enough medical services to go around and to see that everybody has a chance to obtain those services. We cannot obtain one part of that objective unless we attain the other as well."

Mr. Truman gave no estimate of the cost of his national health service plan. It is expected that the President's proposal will have a bitter battle in Congress. The American Medical Association has already begun a campaign against it.

Negro Innocent Of Murder

Bridgetown, Barbados, April 22.

A Negro, McDonald Lewis, aged 50, was acquitted at the Assizes here today on a charge of murdering Mrs. Myra Frances Greenland, aged 37, wife of a London-born engineer with the Barbados Telephone Company.

After 31 witness for the Crown had given evidence, defending counsel submitted that there was no case and the Attorney General agreed. The Chief Justice directed the jury to return a verdict of not guilty.

Mrs. Greenland was fatally stabbed in the neck when trying to rescue her husband, Mr. A. F. H. Greenland, from an intruder in their home last December.—Reuter.

Railwaymen Want A Wage Increase

London, April 22. Delegates representing 460,000 British railwaymen today called for Government intervention in a dispute resulting from refusal of their demands for a 12s. 6d. a week wage rise.

The railwaymen's decision was made at a special London conference of the National Union of Railwaymen. The delegates sent their chairman and secretary, Mr. W. T. Potter and Mr. J. B. Figgins, to the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee's, residence at No. 10, Downing Street, to seek an interview. They were referred to a high official, who arranged for them to see the Minister of Labour, Mr. George Isaacs, and the Minister of Transport, Mr. Alfred Earnes, next Tuesday.

When informed of this, the conference adjourned until next Thursday to await results. Besides the report of its delegation, the conference will then have before it resolutions proposing several drastic alternatives, including strike action, a "go slow" policy and a ban on overtime working.

The railwaymen's claim has been rejected by a series of arbitration tribunals. The cost of meeting it in full has been estimated officially at £24 million a year. A trade union demand for an extra week's holiday for Britain's 750,000 miners was rejected today by an arbitration tribunal.

The miners wanted two weeks' annual holiday with pay instead of six days as present.

The union and the National Coal Board agreed on the desirability of the longer holiday but the Tribunal commented: "The Tribunal, while fully appreciating the desire of both parties that the concession should be made, have yet felt obliged to take account of the present position of the country as a whole, the necessity for the industry to pay its way, and the economic effect of a rise in the price of coal."—Reuter.

San Francisco, April 23. The liner President Jefferson sailed yesterday for Yokohama.—Associated Press.

Greeks Accused By Belgrade

Belgrade, April 22.

Yugoslavia in a note to the United Nations today accused the Greek army of violating Yugoslavia's frontiers 19 times since last November and infringing their air space three times.

The Yugoslav news agency Tanjug said that the note was handed to Mr. Trygve Lie, Secretary-General of the United Nations, by Josef Vitan, Yugoslav delegate to Lake Success.

In one alleged incident on February 17, a unit of Greek soldiers supported by three tanks, mine throwers and machine-guns, is said to have approached Yugoslav territory near the village of Zivinovo and three shells fell on Yugoslav soil.

Shells were again fired on Yugoslav soil near Zivinovo on February 22, the note alleged.

The infringements of air space are said to have been committed on November 16, March 5 and March 8 by a single aircraft. No damage or casualties are mentioned.—Reuter.

London To Hold Army Day

London, April 22. London is to hold an Army Day on Thursday, May 6, when 2,000 men, with guns, armoured cars, vehicles and three military bands, will march through the heart of the city, the War Office announced today.

Army vehicles and equipment will be displayed in Hyde Park, and drums and pipes of the Brigade of Guards will sound the Retreat in the evening.—Reuter.

IRAN TRIAL

Teheran, April 22. Twenty leaders of the banned extreme left wing Iranian Tudeh Party were convicted by a court martial here last night and sentenced to prison terms ranging from one year to 10 years.

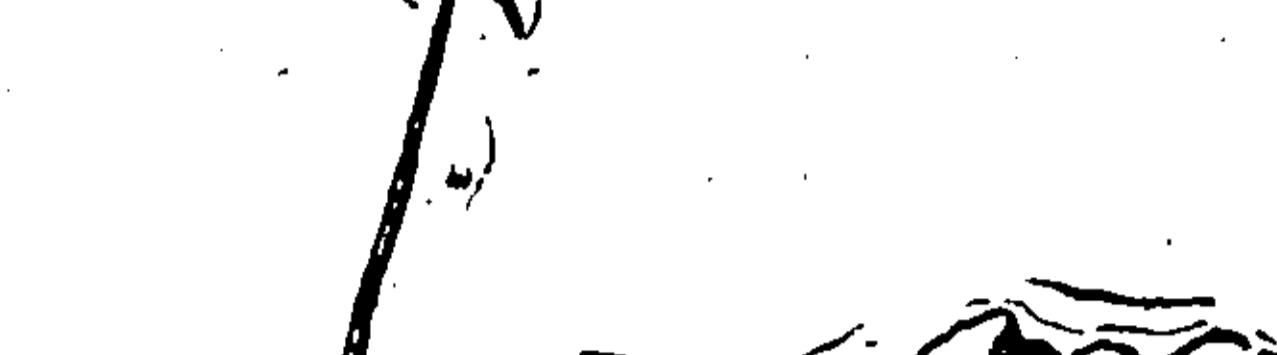
(The Iranian Government dissolved the Tudeh Party—the "Party of the Masses"—last February after a member had shot at the Shah of Iran).—Reuter.

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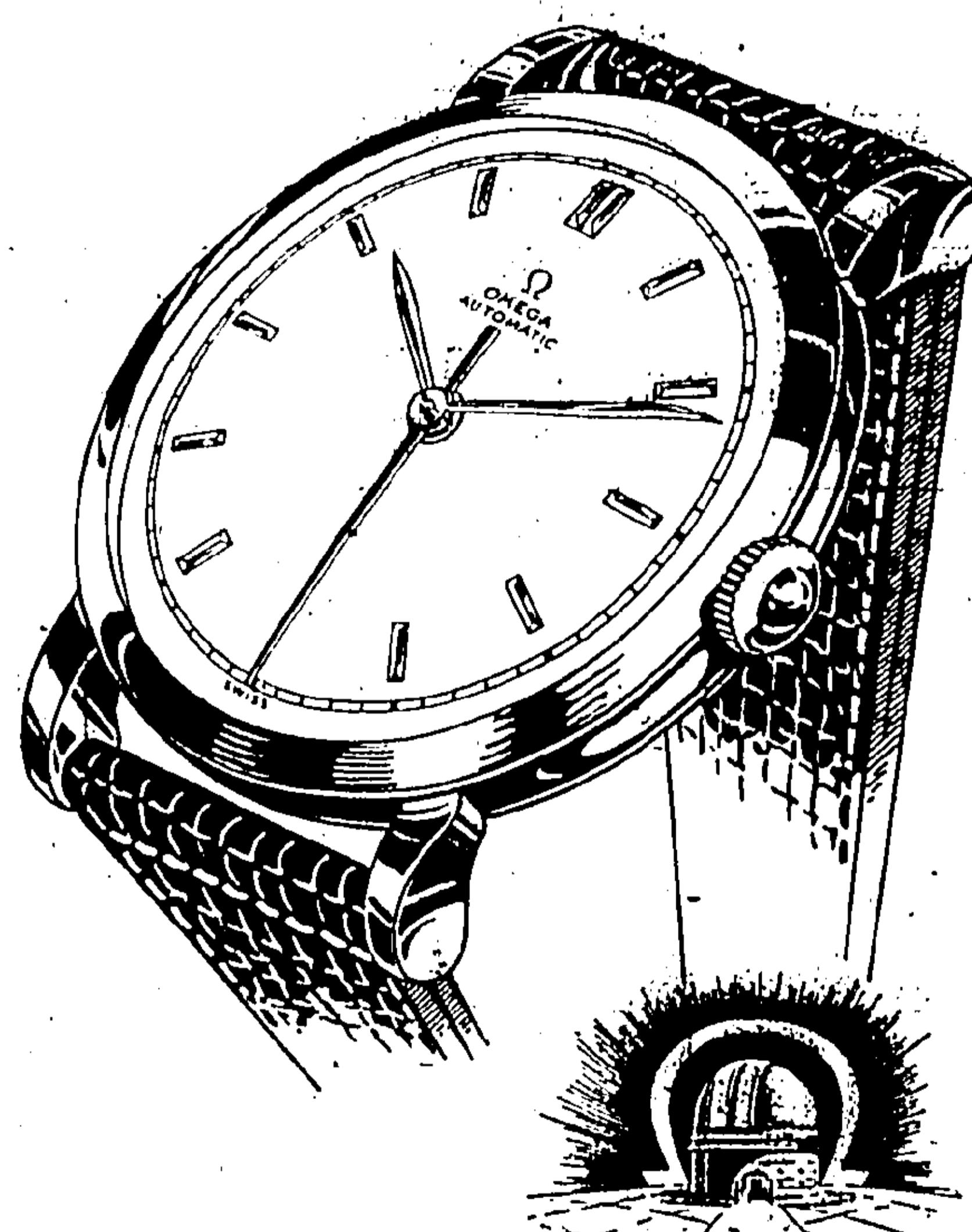
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To have revisited a country you have not seen for more than 20 years and to have found that it has become greater, its people more highly developed in a political sense, constitutes a wonderful experience for a man of my generation. In this generous and remarkable nation now reposes the hope of the world, and its citizens have come to realize it.

Between 1920—the height both of the Great Boom and of the Prohibition Period, when I was last in America—and today, the American people have grown up and attained to a full sense of the responsibilities that their position imposes upon them.

This attitude they combine with a warm-heartedness and hatred of injustice which few great Powers have possessed.

For, even if self-interest enters into their political schemes to inspire their political wisdom, always there is, in the colloquial phrase, "more to it than that"; there ever enters in, in the sometimes divided but very genuine factors of American benevolence and American generosity, the result no less of history and background, than of the size and character of the country that has produced them.

It would not be true, I apprehend, to say that when I arrived in New York English prestige was high or the Englishman at his most popular.

A century of patronage and criticism, often crudely phrased in the same language that the American speaks, has done its work, and more recently, the British Government's handling of the Palestine problem caused, rightly or wrongly, much ill-feeling.

The American (in this resenting the Englishman) stands always against the bully, and as such we had unfortunately allowed ourselves to be pitied and paraded, however unfairly.

Likeness Of Life

Yet, in spite of these various influences what most strikes an Englishman today is less the dif-

ference than the likeness of life and outlook between America and England.

Though the blood-kinship has thinned, though storms may momentarily rage between the two countries and then as suddenly subside, an Englishman can never consider himself to be a foreigner in America. He does not, it is true, feel himself to be an American, but is conscious that some new word should be invented to fit his status there, just as, otherwise, some new word should also be minted to describe the position of an American in England.

The reason is exhaustion caused by the steady drain on manpower, morale and economy by a guerrilla war, where each victory by the Greek Army has seemed to bring the nation's struggle no nearer a final liberation from guerilla terrorism and destruction.

Offers A Tonic

America offers to the visiting European a tonic, of which the reviving qualities come from many causes. In some ways, the country seems more modern than any in the world; in some ways, more old-fashioned.

There still exists, for example—and this is old-fashioned—in the great hearts of the American people, the 19th-century benevolent optimism: the feeling that God is in His heaven and all's well with the world.

(Incidentally, the churches and chapels in America are much more fully attended than in England.)

The warmth of the American heart is reflected in smiling faces and warming agreeable words, though they remain a direct and democratic people. In fact, the Americans have something which is missing in England—today—beautiful manners.

Not only is there a complete absence of sour looks, but there do not feel yourself in the street to be invisible as you do in England, where people walk straight into you without apparently being conscious of it.

Lastly, in any comment on America, it must be stated that New York is a wonder of the world, unbelievably more beautiful than when I was there before.

Looking back over the distance of 20 years, the then city seems to have been merely a prophecy, a drawing in the sand, of what it subsequently became.

The gateway to a continent, it is the most beautiful and inspiring of modern creations, the sole heir to Alexandria, Constantinople and Venice.

It is a unique city, so cosmopolitan and informed that many of the workers in New York know from sisters and brothers in Europe better what the conditions are, even behind the Iron Curtain, than do the politicians.

Exclusives of every race dwell in the metropolis, whole little nations of Indians, Spaniards, Armenians, Germans, Hungarians and Jews, and in this respect—New York is always said not to represent America—it is most truly American.

Who that has seen them can ever forget the clustered towers of New York as viewed from the Hudson or approaching by road from Long Island, or permit to vanish from his memory that evening marvel comparable to the opening of certain flowers at dusk; that moment when the high towers and piled up cubes of the great city suddenly blaze with lights of different colours, blue and red, primrose and green, and become hives of honey in various shades of gold against the glittering vast blue dome of the sky?

GREECE HAS FOUND THE MAN

Greece is at the crossroads. Two months ago well informed observers placed the odds at six to four on the Reds snatching Greece behind the Iron Curtain this year.

Moreover, in a sense, America constitutes the swiftest and most biblical revenge to be obtained by the poor upon the rich; because the grandchildren of many wretched emigrants from Europe now hold in their hands the destinies of those countries from which their fathers fled.

The reason is exhaustion caused by the steady drain on manpower, morale and economy by a guerrilla war, where each

victory by the Greek Army has seemed to bring the nation's struggle no nearer a final liberation from guerilla terrorism and destruction.

Last January Allied observers

saw Greek resistance at the

lowest ebb since the Communist

revolution in December 1944.

Greece pointed despairingly at

China and Malaya.

Within two months, the situation has changed enough to justify Mr. McNeil's reply in the Commons. Yet Mr. Macmillan's warning is just as real and timely.

(Mr. McNeil, Minister of State, told the House of Commons recently that the Greeks, though gravely ill, had there been a feeling that the new Coalition Government, set up in that month after King Paul's ultimatum to the political parties to put the country before politics, is put by far the best since the liberation of Greece in 1944.

The appointment of General

Alexander Papagos as Commander-in-Chief has infused new discipline and drive into the tired Greek Army, which was beginning to suffer from the personal ambitions of some of the higher commanders, and failing in morale.

A compromise with the Communist guerillas in Greece would merely be the first act of a familiar play—the Coalition Government, including Communists holding the key posts leading to the eventual Communist seizure of the Government and the invasion of the Greek outlet on the Mediterranean within the Greek bear's hug.

For Western strategy, the inclusion of Greece within the Iron Curtain would be disastrous. Red Air Force planes and V-rockets based on the Peloponnese and Crete, could neutralise our key bases on Malta and Cyprus and render the Eastern Mediterranean untenable.

The Red Navy submarine could operate from the Greek ports of Piraeus, Salonic, Patras and Volo and cut our life-lines. Russia would have achieved her port.

Merely the turning of Greece into a Russian Satellite State would squeeze Italy, Turkey and

the Near East to dangerously as to threaten the Atlantic Pact and to sabotage from the start all hopes of a Mediterranean defensive pact.

Continuous Warfare

Western democracies have as

big a stake as Russia in the future of Greece. Can we preserve

By KEITH

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Special Correspondent

Cominform Moves Against Tito

There is still the problem of the Northern frontiers over which the guerillas are freely supplied and reinforced, and which the Greeks say bluntly is not their problem but ours.

That is why the Greeks are delighted at the revival of Britain's interest in their country that was shown in the Foreign Affairs debate, and at the encouraging messages received these days from President Truman, Mr. Egon and Mr. Acheson.

The Iron front is rattling on the Greek frontier, as the Cominform prepares to eliminate Marshal Tito before launching a final all-out attack on Greece.

Only Tito's sudden concentration of several divisions in the Skopje area near the Bulgarian frontier prevented the Bulgarian Premier, M. Dimitrov, from provoking secessionist movements in Yugoslavia and Greek Macedonia during last month.

But the Cominform still has plans for a satellite autonomous Macedonia within a Moscow-directed Balkan Federation. This is the real external threat to Greek integrity that must be watched with care.

Within her borders, with full aid and support from the United States and Britain, Greece may yet put her house in order this year.

But here is a warning—in these Balkan and international quick-sands, political manoeuvres to overthrow the present Government and gain power, as now plotted by sections of the Popularist Party and Extreme Rightists, may bring disaster to Greece.



Bally, Bo-Bo, Compo and Susan, the four chimpanzees at the London Zoo are seen cheerfully receiving their daily dose of medicine. From Sierra Leone, the chimpanzees are being trained in table manners and will be delighting visitors to the Zoo this summer by their antics at tea-time. (Associated Press Photo)

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ALLIED MEMORANDUM TO BONN ASSEMBLY

U.S. ARMY 'ATTACKS' INVADERS

Nuremberg, April 22. Combat units of 70,000 American troops are tonight poised to launch a mass counter-attack against an imaginary aggressor army which has theoretically been pushing the forces back from the Czechoslovak frontier to beyond the West bank of the Ludwig Canal since last Monday.

The American units taking part in the zone's largest post-war manoeuvres fixed 9.00 p.m. GMT today as "Zero Hour" for their offensive, which will start the last phase of "Exercise Showers."

The plan of the offensive is to capture the training area at Grafenwoehr by tomorrow night through a two-pronged plan of movement, aimed at the towns of Bayreuth and Amberg.

By the time the actual American offensive begins, all theoretical air opposition will have been swept away.

In initiating the attack, the American troops will sweep across three special constructed combat bridges and will advance under the cover of an extensive smoke screen thrown up by chemical warfare units.

The attackers will be supported by mythical replacements which landed by equally imaginary troop transports at Bremen yesterday to compensate estimated American paper losses of over 2,000 troops.—Reuter.

Berlin, April 22. The United States authorities have cut off the telephone in the Potsdam home of Herz Relmich Rau, Chairman of the Soviet Zone Economic Commission, because he refused to pay his bill in Western marks.—Reuter.

A new three-power memorandum on the West German Constitution was handed to the German Constituent Assembly here today. The message was agreed on by the British, American and French Foreign Ministers in Washington earlier this month.

First reports confirm that the message relates the Allied point of view on finance and on the Federal legislative powers in a more conciliatory manner than before. It is also said to express the Allied views on the question of an electoral law for the first German Parliament.

It does not deal with the details of the German draft to which the Military Governors have objected, but outlines the considerations underlying their objections in a manner designed to give the Germans maximum scope for avoiding further dispute.

The message is understood to explain that the Allies will approve a Constitution which leaves to both the Federal Government and the States adequate powers to impose taxes for their own needs and collect them through their separate administrations.

It is believed to say that the Allies have no objection to the substituting of financially weak States, either out of Federal funds or by an internal redistribution of State taxes, provided that such redistribution does not pass through the Federal Exchequer and provided also that some tax revenues are handled by each State.

No Objections

On the question of Federal legislation dealing with economic and social policy, the Foreign Ministers are believed to make it clear that they do not object to such legislation where the interests of more than one member State of the Federation are clearly involved.

The effect of the Allied message, observers here think, will be to make it clear that no draft now advocated by either of the major German parties is open to serious Allied objections.

The Christian Democrats accepted the Allied memorandum.

U.S. LEAD IN ATOMIC FIELD

Seattle, Washington, April 23.

The Atomic Commission Chairman, David E. Lilienthal, said here yesterday that the U.S. is widening its lead in the atomic field.

The U.S. he said, is further ahead of other nations in all aspects than at any time since the war's end.

He would not say whether the Atomic Energy Commission knows if any other nation has enough uranium or plutonium for a bomb.—Associated Press.

The Hague, April 22.

The Netherlands Red Cross is to set up an eye bank, and Dutch people dying with healthy corneas have been asked to bequeath them to the bank for sight-restoring operations on the living.—Reuter.

Radar's Value To Britain

London, April 22. The Royal Commission on Awards to Inventors has decided early next month how much the cavity magnetron—the "heart of radar"—was worth to Britain, during the war.

Beginning on May 2, the Commission will hear claims by three British physicists—Professor John Turner Randall, Professor Henry Albert Boot, and Professor James Baynes.

The magnetron was used in the war for air interception at sea to enable vessels to detect the approach of enemy submarines, for surveying coasts before D-Day, for night bombing and to allow ships to travel at high speed in fog and darkness.—Reuter.

RUSSIANS IMPRESSED BY PRESS FREEDOM

New York, April 23. A refugee Soviet Air Force officer said today that freedom of the press is the most impressive feature of American life he has seen.

Ex-Lieutenant Peter Pirogov said: "The greatest single thing is the liberty your newspapers have of publishing what they really think.

This is not true in the USSR."

Pirogov, aged 28, was a navigator. He is here with Anatole Burov, aged 31, under auspices of the U.S. State Department's Voice of America. The two, after hearing Voice broadcasts, took a Soviet plane aloft on October 9, ostensibly on a routine training mission but fled instead to an airport in the U.S. zone of Austria and refused to return.

Pirogov explained that criticism generally in Soviet Russia is permitted so long as it is confined to method and execution of a prescribed policy. But criticism of the policy itself, once adopted, is not tolerated.

That explains how, for instance, Soviet newspapers print editorials and letters from readers denouncing factory managers for producing shoddy merchandise.

Or for using outmoded styles. Or for failing behind schedule. Or in suggesting a change from the Communist philosophy because that is what is wrong is not acceptable and never appears.

Gousenko Case

"Furthermore," Pirogov continued, "the many press conferences held since our flight have convinced me of America's freedom of the press. Questions by American newspapermen have covered a broad range that indicates they do not follow prescribed rules or instructions."

When Mrs. Oksana Stepanova came into the news, Pirogov said, all he heard was the official version that she had been kidnapped. Later, on the Voice of America, he heard of how she had jumped from a window of the Soviet Consulate in New York to escape forced return to Russia.

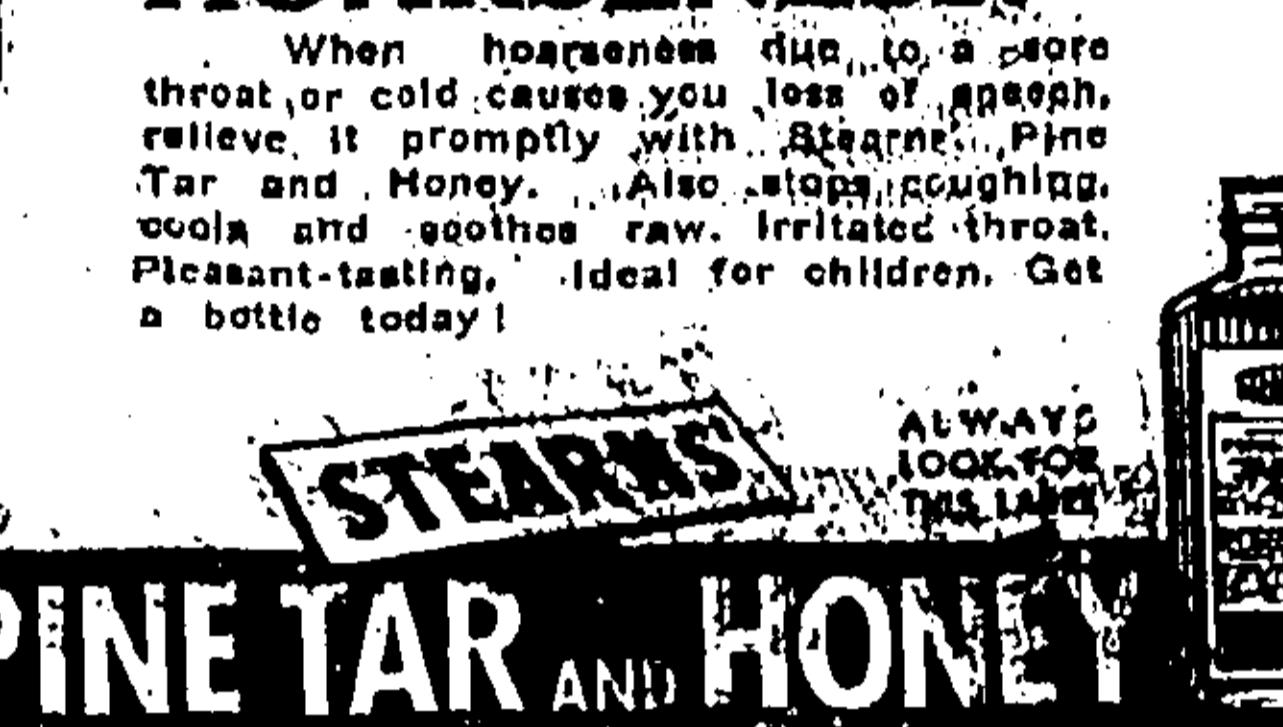
Similarly, he said, he heard nothing of the exposure by the Soviet code clerk, Igor Gousenko, which brought to light the operation of a Russian spy ring in Canada.—United Press.

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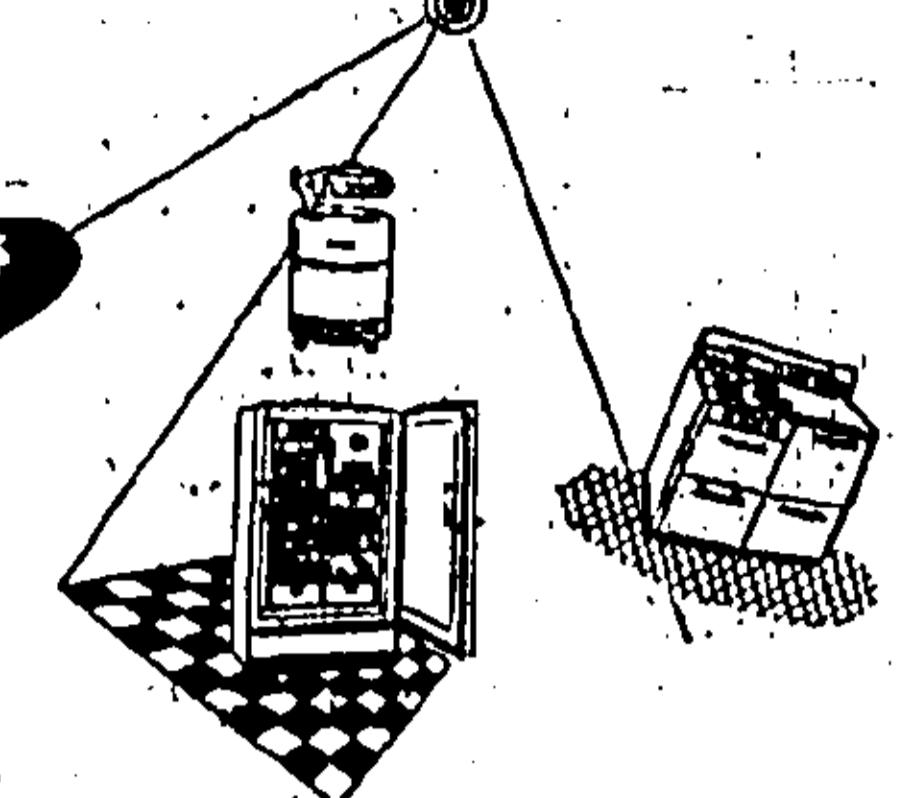
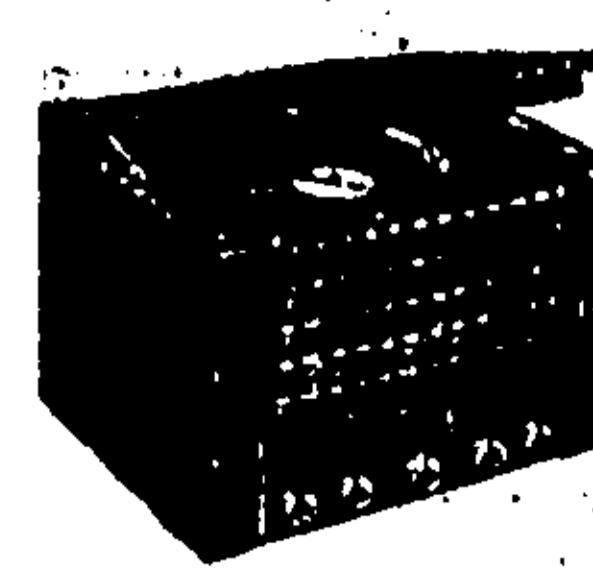
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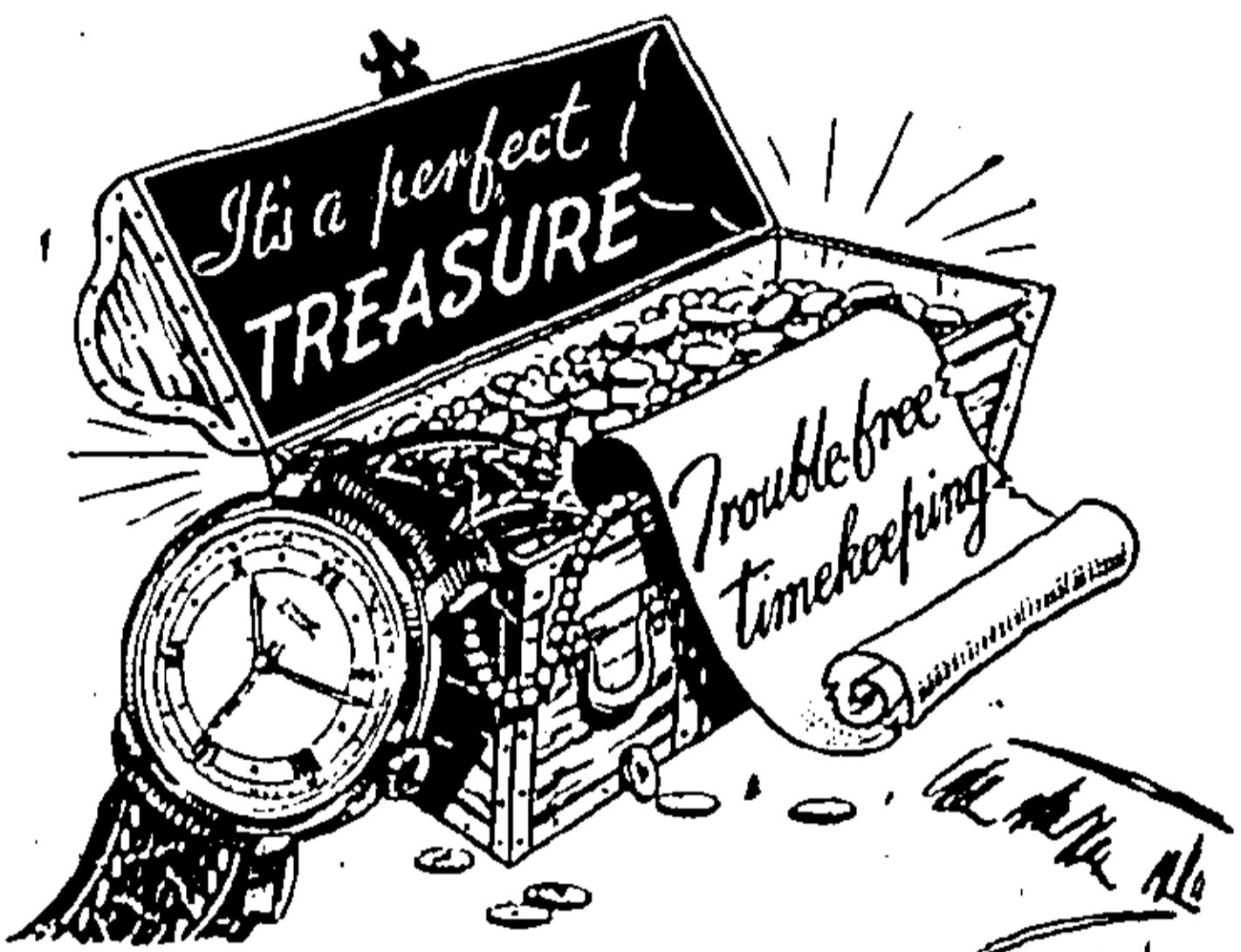
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Britons
In
Germany
By TOM POCOCK

What is in store for Britain if the Labour Party is returned to power next year? Where is the party heading; what is the reaction of rank-and-file Socialists to recent counsels of caution and moderation from some of their leaders?

Are they ready, in the light of nearly four years' experience of the difficulties of Socialism in practice, to accept these counsels—to go slow, to consolidate, to be patient about the realisation of all they have been led to expect from Socialist government?

Or are they as Left as ever, ready to drag their leaders behind them, or find new ones? The answers to these questions cannot yet take final form, but there are portents.

An analysis of the 210 resolutions sent in for consideration at the 4th annual Party Conference reveals that;

(1) nearly one-third of them are concerned with the domestic issues of nationalisation, wages, prices and profits, and housing;

(2) they largely ignore the warnings of their leaders in their approach to these issues, and demand much more than some of the leaders regard as expedient or practicable; and they press their views with ominous insistence.

The full significance of this can be assessed only in relation to the background of warning and exhortation from the top.

Fingerprint Sleuth

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We rigged up our floodlights. The tiny rooms began to look like Elstree studio sets. I crawled under chairs, took inspection lamps beneath tables. We took every article from sideboard and household cupboards.

No fingerprints. There was a little outhouse, with a mangle and boiler, in the yard. I took the mangle to pieces.

No fingerprints. On the cupboard; the bits of cracked china that all housewives hoard away behind blue-tinted glass on the top shelf somewhere. If Mrs. M. had ever touched them somebody must have been at them ahead of us.

"Anywhere else?" we asked, and Bill Judge grinned faintly.

"There's a sort of coal cellar," he said.

It was a narrow, unlit place beneath the stairs. Rough walls and constantly stirred coal-dust. Not much chance of a — I cursed gently, for I had banged my head upon a shelf.

On the shelf were nearly 100000 bottles — the domestic, discards of years. Pickle-bottles, medicine bottles — every kind of bottle. As we delicately picked each one out with tweezers we saw something else — and grottoed. All had been wiped clean recently.

Meanwhile, the Army is paying up, and a lot of the brighter soldiers save up to buy themselves out and look round for a better-paid civilian job.

They Exaggerate

But the Germans, living in a vacuum, see this decline and exaggerate wildly. They do not realise how abnormal the British standard of living in Germany became during 1946 and 1947.

In Hamburg a small business man, the type that put Hitler into power, sums up the views of his kind:

"Four years ago we Germans had no hope. Our women sold themselves to your soldiers for chocolate. I would have sold my soul for 20 cigarettes. Now it is different. Our women prefer German men. I sell cigarettes to the English soldiers."

"My country is rising again — more fast than you know. Your country is going down. We Germans will be masters of Europe again in 20 years; or, if our conquerors behave as we expect, sooner."

And, waving aside a British cigarette, he lights a big cigar.

At Last—The Vital Clue

We tested them all — no result. Bottles lined the stairs, and twinkled in the hallway. The air was filled with the fine grey powder we use to detect fingerprints on glass.

Then, as we had begun to put them back, I saw that a pickle-bottle and a little medicine bottle had got pushed down behind the shelf in the right hand corner.

"We'll have those, too," said Cherill.

The Cherub was packing up and down as I aimed the little nozzle of my finger-print powder spray at the pickle-bottle and pressed the rubber bulb.

There they were — Mrs. M.'s finger prints; clear and perfectly matching the prints of the dead woman in the sack.

The Cherub closed his eyes happily. "Somewhere — I seem to remember —", he said, "I have a wife — a home"

Mr. M. was found guilty at Bedford Assizes, but was reprieved from the death sentence by the Home Secretary.

What is the lesson here? — that State control and supervision

LABOUR LOOKS LEFT

At the last party conference in May, 1948, Mr. Herbert Morrison, in a notably cautious speech, called for "consolidation of our gains, with sensible further advance." He and others have since urged this in public, and privately in the party's higher councils, where it is believed to be generally, but not unanimously, accepted.

It may be argued by Socialist Intellectuals that much importance should not be attached to the declarations and demands of local Labour parties; that they are in some respects contradictory and illogical, and arise from misapprehension, or even ignorance and stupidity.

However that may be, the power and authority of the local organisations should not lightly be dismissed. Their delegates constitute the Labour Party Conference, which is the party's final authority; and leaders must convince the Conference that their policies are sound, or accept contrary policies, or hand over responsibility to more compliant successors.

Leaders And The Left

There are, of course, other ways of controlling the Conference than the defeat of revolutionary ideas by direct challenge and argument.

The broad statement of policy about to be issued by the National Executive will reach local organisations too late for the formal tabling of amendments. It will, in effect, be presented for acceptance or rejection as a whole. In this way incipient revolt may be side-stepped. The Communists would like nothing better.

It should not be overlooked that the extremists have their sympathisers in the Government. Ministers include men of advanced Left views and resolute character. These forced steel nationalisation against doubtful moderate opinion. They belong to the "vermin" and "linker's cuss" faction.

Moreover, the present leadership of the Socialist movement is ageing. The up-and-coming men are younger. What they lack in political experience and the gumption that should come of it they make up for in a fiery temper that may sway the unthinking mass.

The formidable Left elements will assuredly not lack leaders if they succeed in forcing the pace, but this will depend on the result of the general election. At present the Socialists are confident; though they expect a reduced majority.

This restriction is a myth. Last year, up to the end of November, 7,585,000 manual workers received increases totalling £1,040,300 a week over 1947 earnings. There have been further increases since in some industries. In January and February, 1,815,000 workers secured £102,500 more a week.

Unreasoning Tempers

On housing the attitude shows the same unreasoning temper. Council house rents are described as exorbitant and the housing programme as inadequate. The high cost of house building is condemned, and it is assumed that profit, waste and inefficiency would be abolished by nationalisation. The payment of higher subsidies is demanded.

In face of the strictures on housing it is appropriate to recall the report, issued last year of a committee which was appointed by the Minister of Health to investigate the cost of house building.

It found that the typical local authority house of 1947 cost three and a quarter times as much as its pre-war counterpart and required twice as much labour and one-third more materials; that the cost of materials followed the trend of prices of industrial materials generally; that there was no evidence of excessive profits;

and that while there was no conclusive evidence that private enterprise built more economically, there was evidence that it did.

What is the lesson here? — that State control and supervision

N.Z. Drug Addicts
By J.C. GRAHAM
Special Correspondent

New Zealand is fast becoming a land of drug addicts... Pantries are absolutely littered with medicine bottles... A race of drug-store topers. These are some recent comments by visitors to New Zealand on the Dominion's free medicine scheme.

Official support comes from the Permanent Central Opium Board in Geneva. In its latest report it lists heavy users of the habit-forming drug heroin who have further increased their consumption lately.

It says that New Zealand is among the worst offenders and that its consumption increased five-fold between 1938 and 1946.

It is admitted in New Zealand that free medicine has brought a great increase in the medicine habit than is necessary or desirable. A Government-appointed committee of doctors and departmental officials has recommended remedies, including part payment for medicines by the patient.

Changes on these lines are now being considered, but in the meantime the effect of six years of free medicine on New Zealanders is worth close attention. In Britain, and other countries which are extending their health services.

Under the New Zealand scheme prescriptions by doctors are made up and supplied free to patients by chemists, the cost being borne by the State. Consultations with doctors are also free in most cases.

A Brand-New Bottle

So that a patient suffering from a trifling ailment which he would have ignored a few years ago, or perhaps treated with some old family cure-all, now goes to a doctor each time he feels unwell and is supplied with a brand new bottle of some expensive remedy by his chemist.

The increased use of heroin is a case in point. Doctors say heroin is undoubtedly an excellent drug for stopping coughs. Patients get to know the colour or mixture containing it and demand it again next time they have a cough.

It is estimated that the State supplies an average of £1 worth of drugs to every man, woman and child in the country each year. The average Maori obtains £1.10s. worth.

The medicine-taking habit has vastly increased and cupboards throughout the country are littered with dozens of partly-used bottles of costly drugs.

The tendency is more and more to take a bottle of something when off colour instead of seeking means to prevent the trouble from occurring.

"Well, I pay for it, don't I?" asks the average New Zealander indignantly when his medicine-taking habits are pointed out to him. He regards any trifling ailment as a good chance to get something tangible for the heavy social security taxes he pays.

New Zealanders may not yet be drug addicts, but they are certainly in danger of becoming a race of hypochondriacs who "dose" themselves on the slightest provocation.

In the shops, luxury goods are to be limited and almost all luxury imports banned. Now, because the Government's food advisers believe that too much food is being wasted in restaurants, no cooked meals will be served after 10 o'clock. Instead, the Siamese will be encouraged to "Eat at Home" and grow their own food.

At the same time, and coinciding with the Austerity campaign, savings are to be encouraged and Savings Groups started all over the country. Finally, to complete the gloomy picture, a cigarette shortage on a familiar British scale is threatening the whole country. So much so that whole districts in Siam's cigarette factories have already begun. Where jobs have to be kept going, workers are being taken on who are prepared to work at one-fifth the normal salary.

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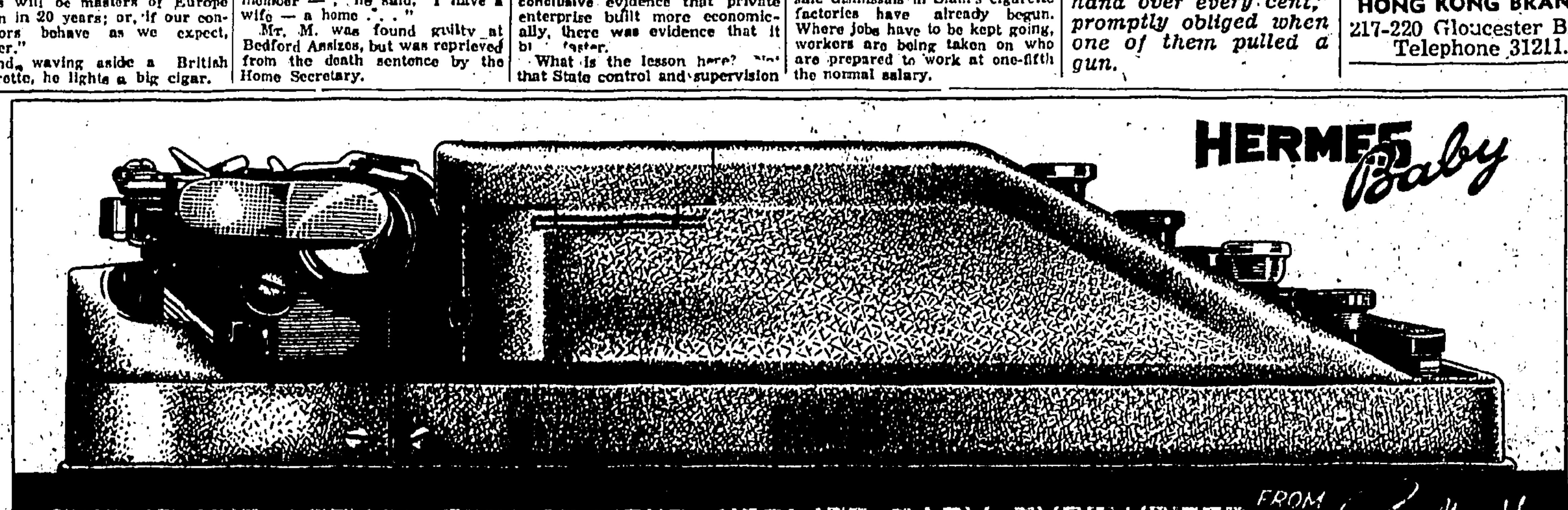
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By Harry Whittington

CHAPTER II

"My son is dead." The words came slowly from the rigid mouth of the man of distinction Raffigan had come to see. The room in which he awaited Pat was musty with age. The girl stood silently just inside the door, gun lowered in hand. She'd not spoken since she'd introduced Pat to her boss, Brownell K. Harling who in turn said she was Sylvia Sorel, his secretary and (with a sad grin) "sometimes my body guard."

"Rodney—my son—" Harling went on painfully, "has been missing for almost a month. He often went off on unexplained trips. He's been gone that long before. Sometimes turning up in Oahu, or Mexico City, once in Rio. But now—well, Mr. Raffigan, I called you because I want you to find him. He's been reported dead—"

"Twice," the girl, Sylvia, cut in softly. "Under different circumstances," went on Harling. "Once I was informed he had been washed over the side of a yacht. But a week later, I was told that he had been lost, with no chance of recovering his body, while climbing in the Swiss Alps—"

"Who reported these deaths to you?" Pat asked.

Sylvia answered: "A woman came to the office who said she was Rodney Harling's common law wife, and insisted she had letters and other evidence to prove it. Also witnesses to prove that Rod had been lost from the yacht Mammoth in the Pacific, a day out of San Francisco. She demanded that she be named sole heir to Rod's estate. Mr. Harling was too heartbroken to fight it, he—he'd just recovered from the breakdown suffered when his second wife, whom he'd divorced, committed suicide. He instructed his lawyers to go ahead working with this woman who says her name is Marjorie Gammage. But then came news that Rod was dead, his body lost in the Alps."

"We must try to locate Rodney, first," Pat remarked. "After all, your son couldn't be dead twice. It may be that he isn't dead at all."

He watched the quick hope flare and die in the rich man's eyes.

"I do think he is dead," Harling said slowly. "But I don't think he was lost as reported. I believe that he was killed."

"Do you know anyone who has reason to hate you?" Pat asked.

Harling shook his head. "I've led a quiet life for years. I've stayed out of the newspapers. I haven't any dangerous enemies—none that would like to see me driven insane by such fiendish business."

Pat felt something was being withheld. Then Harling said, "Rod and I had disagreements. That's why he left home for long, unexplained jaunts."

"Give me the names of the people who called on you, and their addresses," Pat said. "And from the tail of his eye, he saw Harling's secretary stiffen.

"I want to warn you," Harling said. "I was afraid to see you at my house. The men behind this thing will stop at nothing to keep you from investigating."

Pat—remembering the acid tossing in the railroad station and Toad with his fellow goon in its wash room—smiled grimly.

"I've been attacked already," he said quietly. "Before I could even get to you. Evidently, the men hounding you tried to keep me from reaching you. There must be a leak in your own organization. Have you any idea where?"

Harling paled as he whispered, "I've no idea."

"And you don't know anyone who hates you enough to persecute you?"

For a moment, Pat was sure a sob was going to break across the distraught man's trembling lips. But Harling controlled himself with an effort.

"I don't know," he said. "I live in terror of my son's life—and I don't know why they're hitting at me through him. Except that he is—or was—all I have left."

Pat frowned. "Give me the names then of those who gave you the conflicting death reports."

"One was Marjorie Gammage," Sylvia said slowly. "She lives at 877 Arbor Street, on the North Side. The other was a man calling himself Klarson who said he'd been in the Alps with Rodney. He said he was from out of town."

"I'll follow this up," Pat promised Harling. "I'll try to see you tomorrow. I may as well call at your office since my arrival here is no secret."

Harling nodded numbly. His eyes searched the musty room as though he expected to be attacked in his hideaway.

"Sylvia will drive you down town," Harling said.

"Hadn't I better stay with you?" his secretary suggested.

"My chauffeur will take me home," Harling said. "I want you to be as much assistance to Mr. Raffigan as possible."

When Pat went with Sylvia toward a small sedan parked nearby, he asked, "What about Harling's second wife? Why did she commit suicide?"

The girl looked at Pat, and he saw fire smouldering in her eyes as she replied: "Mr. Harling divorced his second wife because she was homesick for her family and visited them secretly. He objected strongly to that. She honestly loved him. The shock of the divorce was too much. It killed her."

"Do you mean then that Mr. Harling is not as loved as he believes?"

The girl laughed sharply as she slipped in behind the wheel.

"He hasn't a friend in the world," Sylvia declared.

Puzzled, Pat got into the front seat beside her. He knew he'd better go slowly there.

"About this Klarson," he remarked casually. "Where does he live?"

Sylvia was driving swiftly, seemingly intent on the thick traffic. Her mouth tightened. At last she said grudgingly.

"He told us we could get in touch with him at the Drake-Carlton."

Sylvia pouted when he told her to drive there. He left her in the sedan at the curb before the swank hotel. When he asked at the desk for Mr. Klarson, the clerk shook his head after glancing through the register.

"I'm sorry, sir. There's no one registered by that name."

A disappointed Pat returned to the car. Sylvia looked at him without smiling. Put the car into gear, roaring to 40 miles an hour in second. "He was about to caution her when he felt some-

was honest in his heartbreak over the loss of his son. And of course there was a burning desire to meet Toad, his goon pal, and whoever the men and women were behind this little reign of terror.

Pat shook his head. He wasn't backing out. Maybe until today old Harling hadn't had a friend in the world. But Harling was the victim of extortionists and murderers. And they'd been shoving him around until the elderly man was on the verge of a breakdown.

"You've got one friend, Harling old boy," murmured Raffigan. "When they started kicking me around, they kicked me over to your side—right or wrong."

Raffigan's raiment was torn and dirty as he straightened himself up and walking to the end of the alley, hailing a taxi on the boulevard.

It wasn't until he was in the cab that Pat found he'd been completely cleaned. Toad and company had taken his wallet, credentials, gun, also his loose change, wrist watch and clean handkerchief.

He looked at the taxi driver in the rear view mirror and found that the man had been watching him with narrowed-eyed interest.

"Take me to 877 Arbor Street," Raffigan directed.

"That's a long ride, mister," the cabbie remarked.

Pat smiled. "You're right. But I've friends at that address. I'll pay you, all right."

The cabbie nodded. "You'll pay me, all right."

Raffigan did a lot of thinking on the swift ride across town. He told the cabbie to wait at the curb before the prosperous looking apartment house on Arbor Street. But the sceptical fellow followed him up the steps.

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MUSICAL SHADES

In considering the paintings of a Cezanne or a Reubens, knowledgeable critics are able to read into the picture much of what they call "light shades". None can know less of painting than I do, and yet this aspect of it is so simple as to its effect that one needs to be no connoisseur to appreciate the effect which these great artists achieved.

The same remarks cannot, however, be applied to music. The distinction between "forte" and "pianissimo" or between "allegro" and "andante" is again a self-obvious matter for which no trained ear is needed to understand the difference. Certain music, too, calls for certain treatment—logical treatment even—so that any other form would be completely incongruous.

The solemnity of the Dead March from "Saul" or the gripping drama of Wagner's "Flying Dutchman" overture are perfect examples of what I mean. In the "Dutchman," Wagner has depicted quite unerringly the picture of that strange wrath of the Ocean, tormented and tortured forever seeking peace of his soul and not finding it. No music other than as Wagner has written it could possibly bring to one's mind so clear a picture of the legend he later portrays in the opera.

Take, also Tchaikovsky's "Romeo and Juliet" Overture—fantastic. This music again portrays to perfection the ill-fated lovers, who find in the end death as the answer. The sweet-voiced oboe and the suggestion of drama in the background from the double basses is as an effective passage in music as I can recall.

Really to appreciate any music and to realise to the full just how much the composer has put into it, the listener should at least be able to distinguish the individual sounds of the different instruments of the orchestra, violins, violas, cellos and double-basses forming the string family; flutes, piccolos, clarinets, oboes, bassoons and contra-bassoons, the wind section; trumpets, trombones, (occasionally the cornet) and french-horns comprise the Brass Section. The percussion department is too numerous to detail, but its main contribution in symphonic works is by means of the tympani.

The test of greatness in a composer lies in his ability to think in terms of orchestration. The basic idea of his work first occurs to him, and he probably sketches out a rough score of a few staves, committing his main theme to paper in this way. But this rough score occurs to him as a complete whole; he hears it played (say) by solo oboe, with clarinets and french-horns filling in the background. A very elementary knowledge of mathematics will serve to show that the permutations and combinations obtainable from the instruments of the orchestra stretch to almost endless lengths. But it does not stop even there. In the lower registers, for example, there is a note almost of melancholy about the flute whilst in the upper register it covers gaily, like the bird it is often called on to imitate. The pitch of a melody, therefore, may easily alter its effect. Matters such as these are of highest importance to the composer, and he cannot afford to neglect any of them in his desire to achieve perfection in the orchestral interpretation of his music.

The well-known "Largo" from Dvorak's "New World" Symphony is a case in point. The solo oboe ushers in the melody without preamble and I can imagine no other orchestral combination building up to the superb effect Dvorak has achieved here, or again, in the "Trepak" from Tchaikovsky's "Casse Noisette" Suite, or Rimsky-Korsakoff's virtuosity in his "Scheherazade" Suite, both examples are ideal in the shades of timbre built up by the respective composers.

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So soon, therefore, as the listener is able to appreciate some of these things, so soon will his or her enjoyment of music be the more enhanced. Music which was before just enjoyable now becomes revealed as a masterpiece of intricate sound-patterns.

SUNDAY

The Symphony Concert at 9:45 p.m. tonight provides interesting choice of ancient and modern music in pleasing contrast. The programme planned is: Brandenburg Concerto No. 6

Bach.
"Job"—A Masque Vaughan-Williams, Pavane.

Bach's conception of the Concerto, as typified in the Brandenburg Series, is one peculiar to him alone. Those who look for the usual form of solo instrument backed by orchestral accompaniment will find themselves searching in vain. Bach, in his time, must have been, comparatively speaking, every whit as much a modernist as is Berg or Honegger today. Primarily an innovator in musical form, Bach was no slavish adherent to tradition, although records exist to prove he had an unqualified admiration of the classical Italian School, as represented by Corelli and Vivaldi.

The Brandenburg Concertos are in the nature of Grand Chamber Music, where a small orchestra of 6-8 players is employed. As with all Bach's music, there is a solid foundation on which contrapuntal devices are erected with amazing dexterity.

MONDAY

"Concerto" hour tonight is devoted to a performance of Tchaikovsky's No. 1 Piano-Forte Concerto, an intriguing and vastly popular work. Tchaikovsky has devoted to this work all the art of which he was capable, and its first performance was accorded a rapturous reception. In his six symphonies, Tchaikovsky wrote "music that expressed itself in paroxysms of emotion wrung from the very depths of the composer's being", as one writer puts it.

His music is at all times sincere, even if the emotional content is a little obvious. "In every Slav there lies hidden a fatalist, and, combined with a certain fluidity of emotion, running rapidly over the whole gamut of human joy and sorrow, this fatalism engenders in every true Russian moments of gloom and depression such as we Westerners can little appreciate". Thus says Edwin Evans in his admirable monograph on Tchaikovsky. This characteristic to which he refers is probably not so marked in the Piano-Forte Concerto to be heard tonight, and indeed, parts of it are positively Mozartian in their joyousness.

It is not surprising, therefore, to find that the programme tonight consists solely of works by Mozart, for the name of Beecham will ever be coupled with that of Mozart. The music offered is—

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Flute Concerto No. 1 in F.

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Children's Herald

AT MY TYPEWRITER...



Our club is growing bigger and bigger all the time. As there are so many new members, I want you all to try and do the competitions.

It's no use just becoming a member and not doing anything. Right!

I would like to give everyone a chance to win something once in a while, so I'm going to try something new. Today's competition will be repeated next week, and new prizes given to different people. Those who do not win this week can if they wish submit new entries next week. This will give more people a chance of winning. What do you think of the idea?

If it works well, we might continue it every time. For instance, a crossword puzzle would run for two weeks, then perhaps a word-making or painting competition for a fortnight, and so on. Do let me know what you think, as soon as possible. I shall be looking forward to hearing from you all, because this concerns everyone.

Happy days to you all, from

Auntie Vee

World Spotlight

What A Fish!

In British Guiana, the home of the famed Arapaima, the world's largest fresh-water fish, some of the Indians use a two-foot Arapaima fish as bait!

The Arapaima, which is found in the Rupununi River, grows to a length of fifteen feet, and often weighs as much as 400 lbs. and one writer some years ago declared: "He who wishes to achieve distinction as an angler should go to the Rupununi with a complete tarpon outfit. He will meet a foeman worthy of his steel."

After being caught, the fish is salted, and keeps for many months.

Competition Winners

The TOT Competition was won-

derful. So many beautiful en-

tries that I really had a hard

time to pick out the winners. -

However, the two first prizes of \$5 go to Jorge Remedios Jr. of 16 Hillwood Road, ground floor, Kowloon and Henry Hamid of 114, Tung Lo Wan Road, 2nd floor, Hong Kong.

Consolation prizes of \$2 each go to Tung Lau Ching of 104

Thomson Road, ground floor, Wanchai, Ruby Bux of 16 Yee Woo Street, Hong Kong, Sung Che Yuen of 7 Lock Road, Ground floor, Kowloon, Beverley Stewart of 292 The Peak, Hong Kong, Henry Chan of 7 Li Yuen Street, West, 2nd floor, Hong Kong and Robert Cheung of 24 Yick Yam Street, 1st floor, Hong Kong.

Congratulations to you all for your very good work.

HANDWRITING COMPETITION

Ever had this competition before? Well, it's quite a good one.

What you must do is to copy the poem below in your neatest handwriting on a piece of clean white paper. You can use pen or pencil, and the neatest, clearest and best handwriting will win a prize.

There will be a pen awarded to the first five best efforts.

Have a try, for I know some of you do have beautiful handwriting. Good luck and please address it

NAME
ADDRESS
..... AGE

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to Auntie Vee, Children's Herald, Windsor House, Hong Kong.

Fill in the form and enclose it together with your handwriting and don't forget to mark on the left hand side of your envelope "Handwriting Competition."

The Costume Party

Andrew and Judy were going to Betsy Brown's costume party on Friday night, and Judy didn't know what to wear. She had planned on wearing her clown suit, but that horrible Patsy Thomas was wearing one and she couldn't. She did think of renting a suit, but she didn't have any more money.

She ran to her father and begged him to give her some, but he said, "You just got your allowance yesterday."

Judy said, "But I did want that new handbag." "Well, no more for today", said Dad.

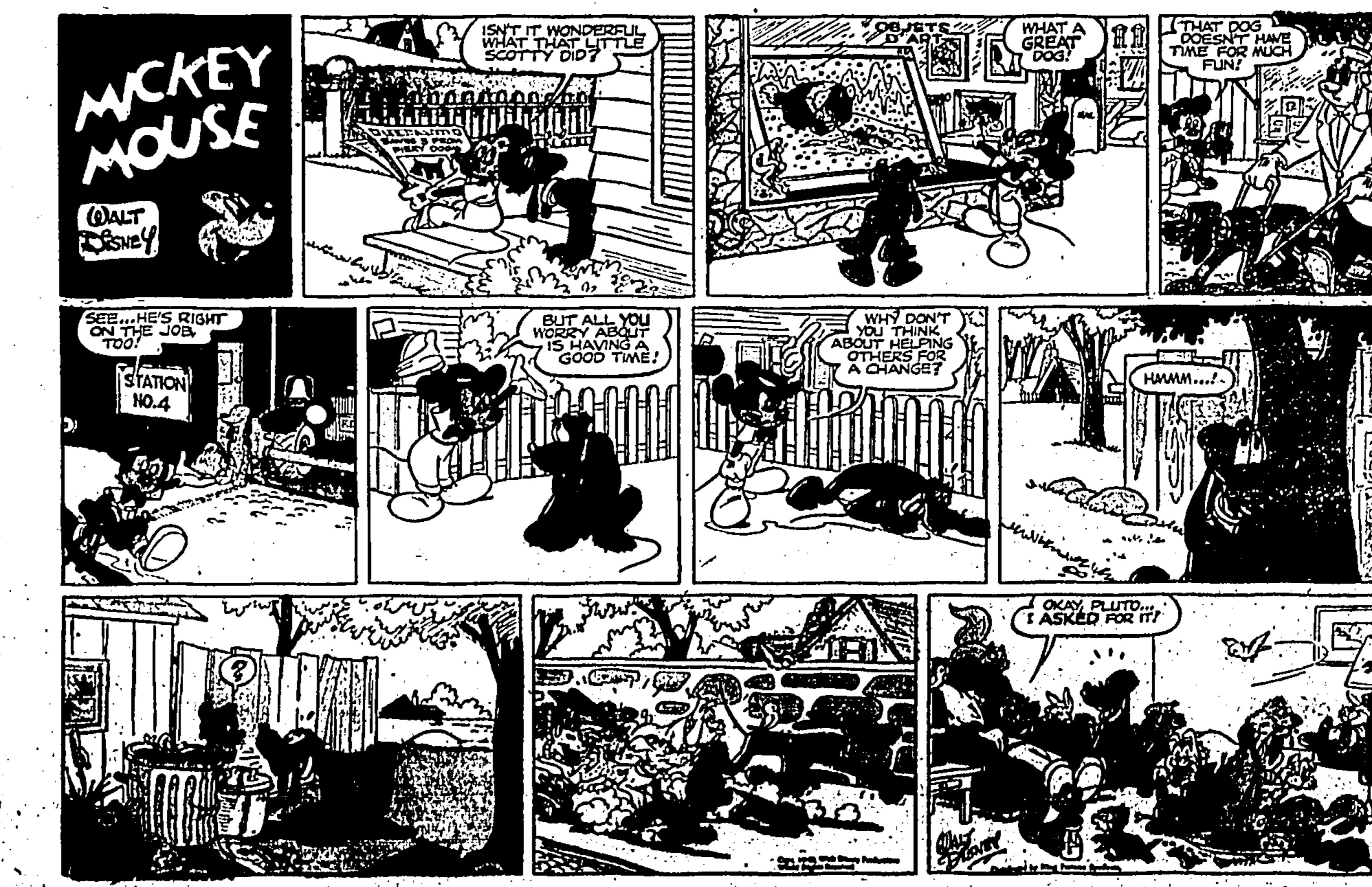
To Judy it seemed like the world was coming to an end. She

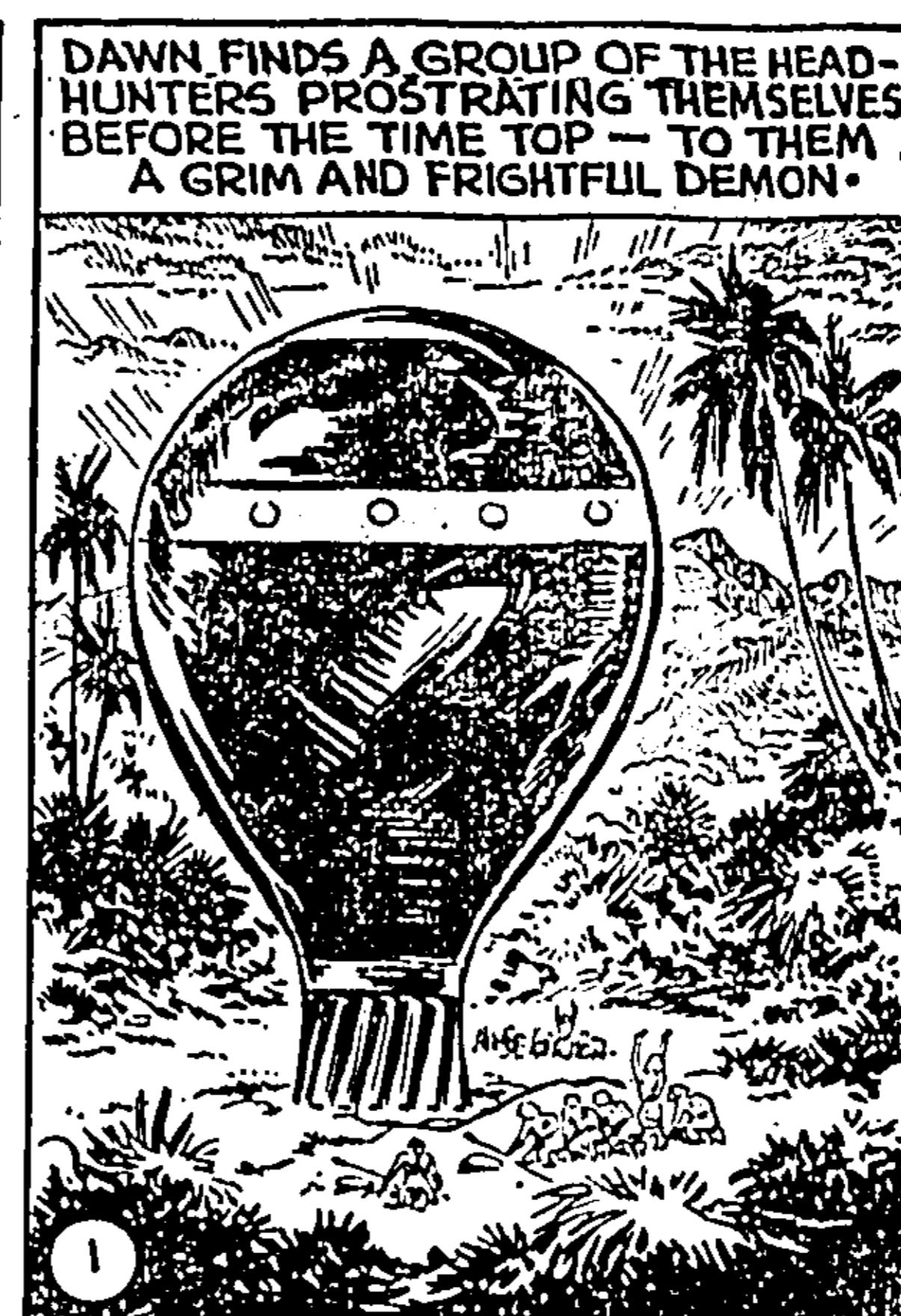
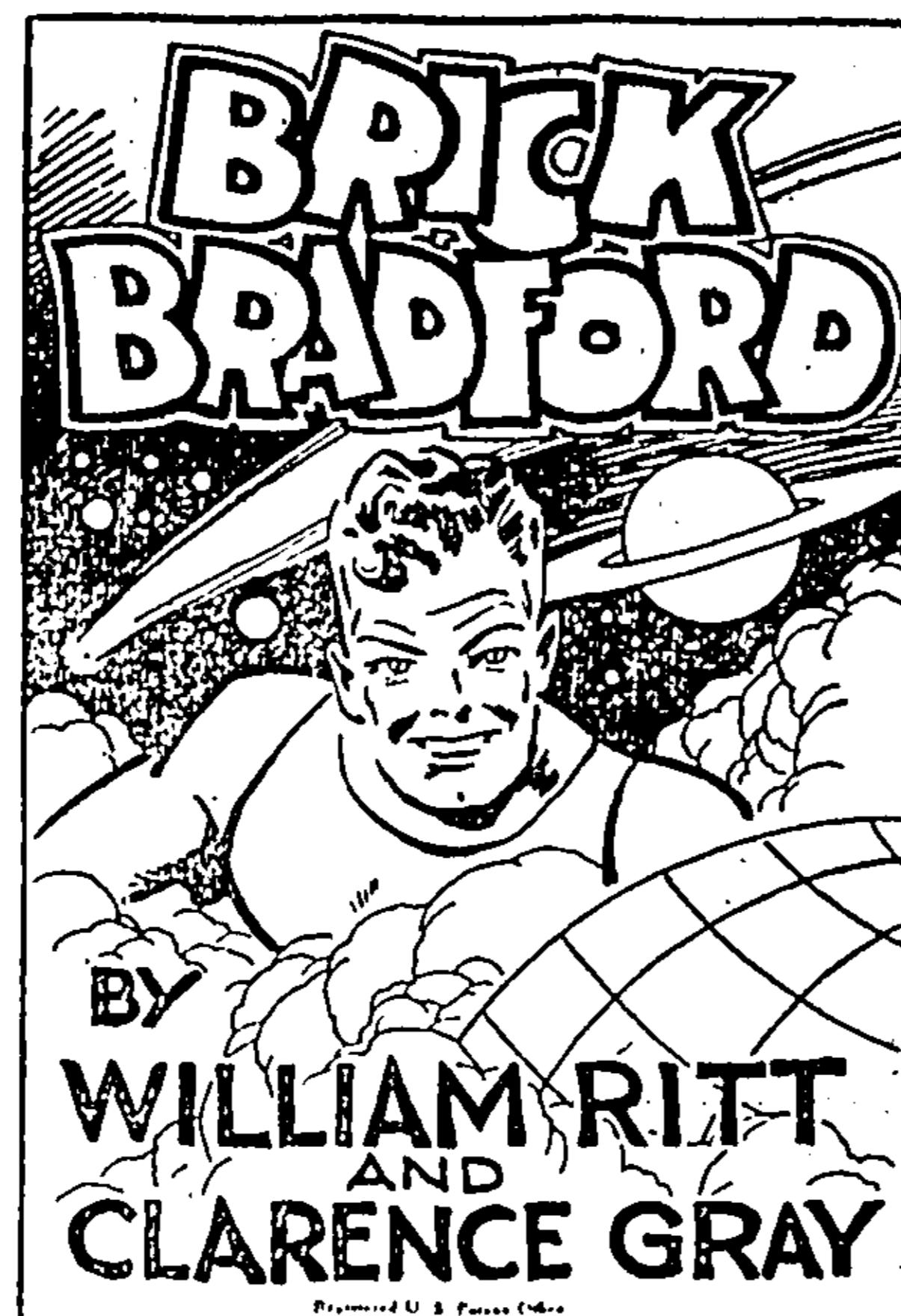
sighed and walked over to her mother, who was sewing at the sewing machine. Then all of a sudden Judy picked up all the scraps of old material she could find, and asked her mother for them. Her mother said, "Yes, of course, but what do you want them for?"

"I haven't time to explain, Mother," was Judy's reply. Then she ran to her room and took down one of her old dresses from the wardrobe and went to work in less than an hour it was finished. Now the dress looked like a poor little girl's dress.

She wore the dress to the party and won the first prize for the most real-like costume.

Honour certificate to Annie Chan of 7, Norfolk Road, Kowloon Tong.





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NEXT WEEK

WIN OR

LOSE?

TOPLESS FEATURING BRICK BRADFORD

A Story Of Alcott And Minotaur

Somewhere in ancient China there was a village. In this village there was an old temple. Inside the temple there was a long passage which twisted and turned this way and that way.

Whoever went into the temple soon lost his way. No matter how long they walk, they never come back of the open air again. They called this temple the Labyrinth, and in the Labyrinth there was a dreadful bull called Minotaur. Many brave heroes who went into the Labyrinth lost their way and were killed by the terrible bull. One day there came a stranger and his name was Alcott from the mountains. When he heard about the bull, he became very angry and decided to go into the Labyrinth and kill the bull.

Before he went into the Labyrinth he took a ball of thread and tied it on one end to the gate. He knew that he could get out again by following the thread.

He then went into the temple and within a few days' time, Alcott found the Minotaur. After a great fight he killed the terrible bull. Then he turned back by following the thread, until he came to open air again. When he reached the open air he told the people of the village that the monster was dead and everyone were happy.

Honour certificate to John Williams of 367, Queen's Road, West 2nd floor, Hong Kong.

MY KITTY

I have a little kitty, Sally is her name, She has a little brown nose, And isn't very tame. She runs round the garden, And tramples all the flowers, And then the gardener goes to work. For many, many hours. She tears my mother's nylons, And my father's boots, And when she sees I'm out of sight. She tears my Sunday suits. But though she is so naughty, And often makes me shout, She's a very good Companion, When everybody's out. Honour certificate to S. A. Rama of 62, Jardine Bazaar, 1st floor, Hong Kong.

Our Dog

Our dog is half a terrier, she is a very obedient dog and has a funny little beard and a long fluffy tail.

She is very fond of cats and does many clever tricks, also she loves to go for walks.

Her name is Susie, she is just about to have pups.

A lovely big basket is in our room for her and she sleeps there every night.

There are three other dogs in the flat below us and Susie is very scared of them.

Susie has one meal a day, and gobble it up as fast as she can.

She is really a very friendly dog and I'm sure if you see her you will like her too.

Honour certificate to Jennifer Billinghurst, aged 11, of 184A, Mt. Kellet, Hong Kong.

A small was climbing a cherry tree when a grub sarcastically said: "You're wasting you time. There's no cherries up there." "Don't worry," replied the small. "There will be when I get there."

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By Fran Striker

THE LONE RANGER



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The Bible Auditorium — first of its kind here — sponsored by the Seventh Day Adventists Mission, opened last week on the Mainland. More than 1,000 flocked to the Auditorium to hear the musical show and listen to the sermon by Mr. F. W. Detmore. ("China Mail" photo)

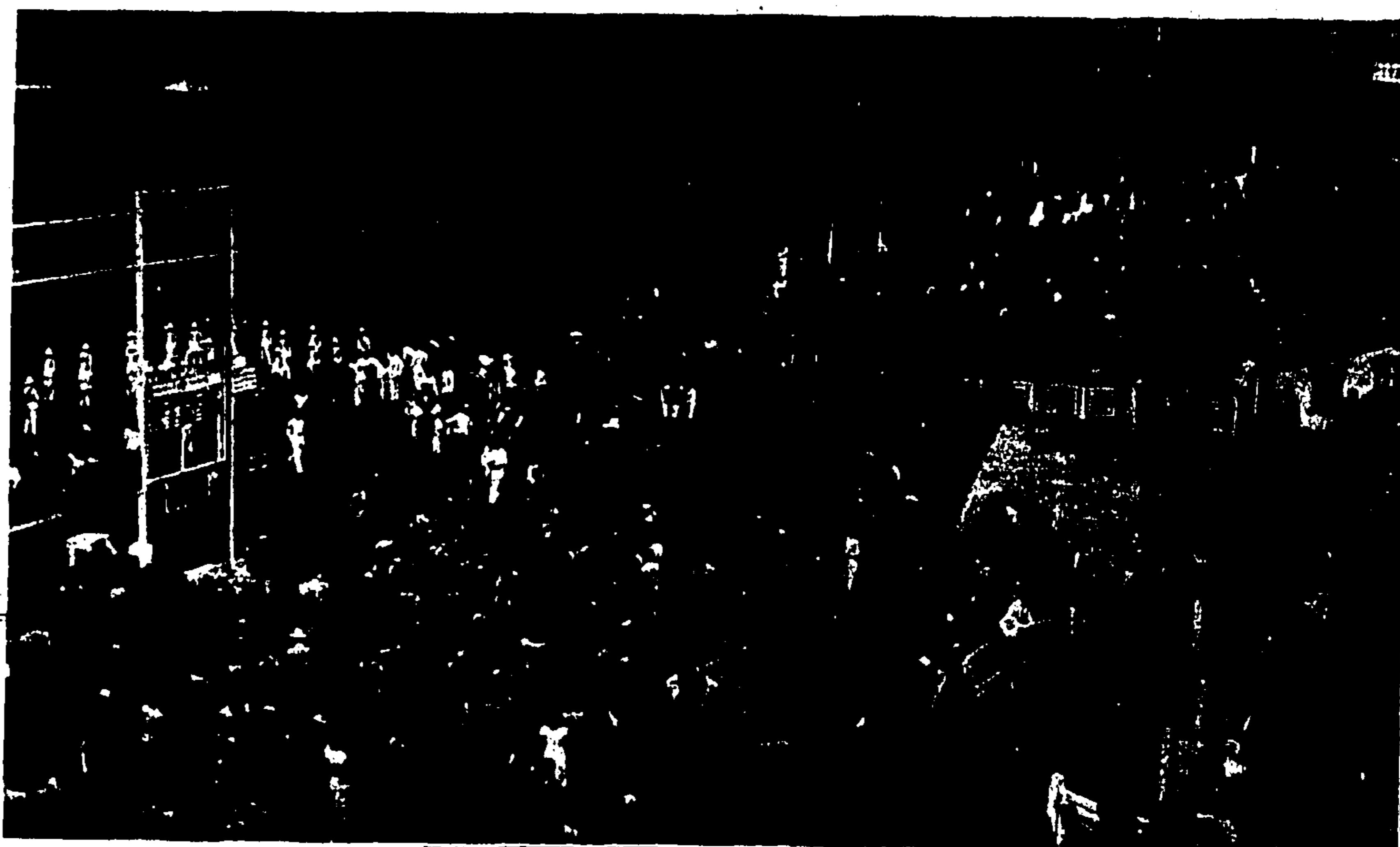
Mr. Henry Meissner played a number of selections on the violin at the opening night of the Auditorium. ("China Mail" photo)

One of the three 10-storey residential buildings which the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation is constructing for some of its Portuguese staff at the far end of College Road, Kowloon. ("China Mail" photo)



This is the Home for Aged Women recently opened by Mr. J. Barrow, Commissioner, New Territories, at Shatin. The Home is supported by donations from supporters of Taoism, Buddhism, and Confucianism. ("China Mail" photo)





Crowds turned out to attend the Easter Race Meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club at Happy Valley last week. ("China Mail" photo)



Hong Kong delegates at a special Solent flying-boats restaurant where a

Ben Wyvis (Donald Black up) finishing first in the Eight Race of the Easter Race Meeting to win the St. George's Plate. ("China Mail" photo)

Mr. Donald Black, amateur jockey, receives the St. George's Plate from Mr. E. J. R. Mitchell. He won the trophy in the Second Day of the Easter Race Meeting. ("China Mail" photo)

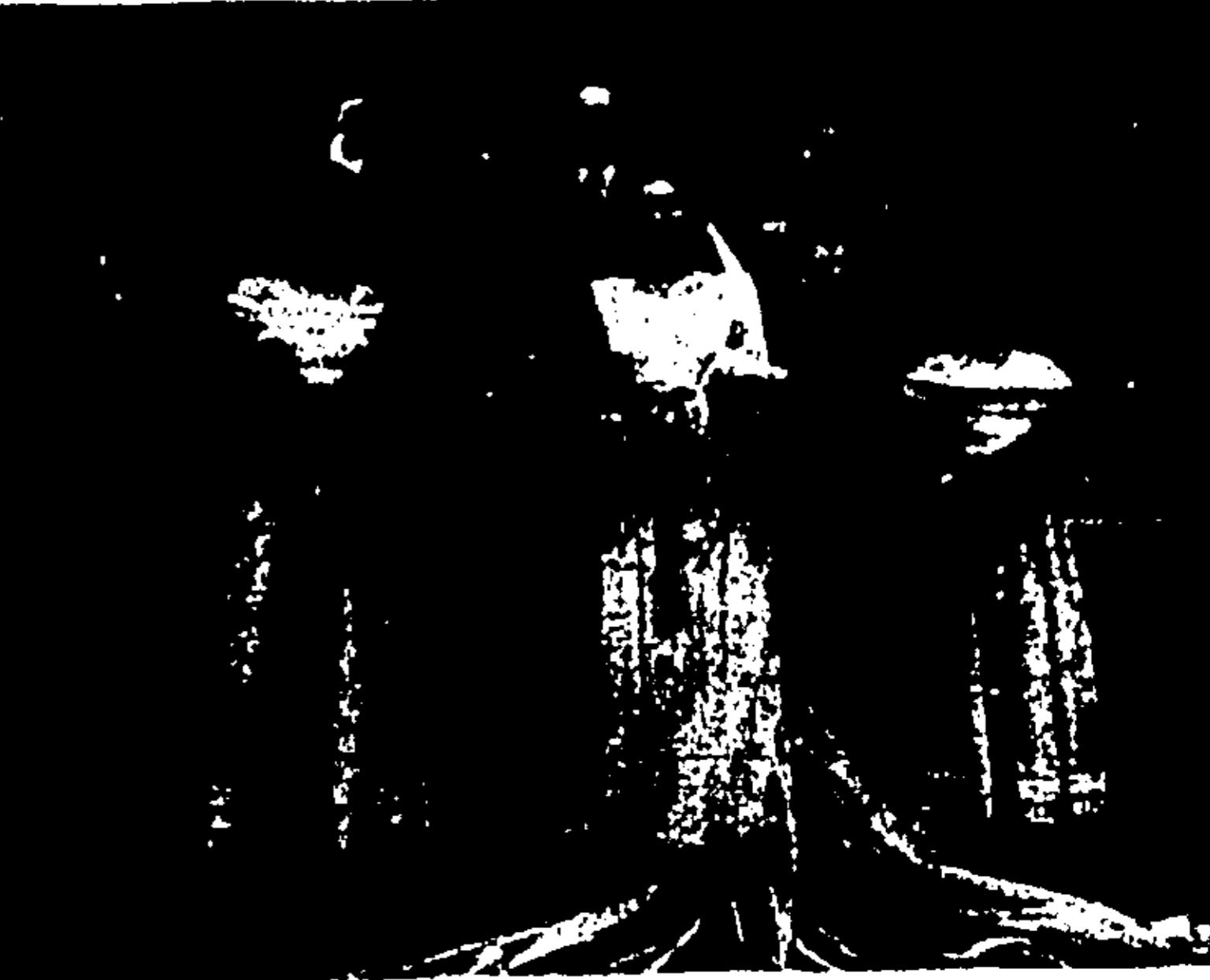
Mr. Gihara Loo, manager of Universal Pictures, and Mr. George Sun (on left), manager of King's Theatre at the Shooting Competition Stall organised in conjunction with the screening of "Man-Eater of Kuomun." ("China Mail" photo)



ates to the British Industries Fair. They left for London last Wednesday by the of BOAC. On Right: Mr. U Tat-chee, thanking the hosts at the Tai Tung Res- farewell party was given in honour of the delegates. ("China Mail" photo)



Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Solet, who were married at St. Joseph's Church on April 16. ("Ming Yuan" Studio)



Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Evans following their wedding at St. Theresa's Church, Kowloon, on Easter Monday. ("Ming Yuan" Studio)

Mr. Wang Pak-sum and Miss Young On-may were married in Hong Kong last week. A reception was given at the Kam Ling Restaurant where this group photograph was taken. ("Sun Ying Ming" Studio)



Mrs. Stewart Grant following their wedding at the English Methodist Church, Wan Chai, on April 16. ("China Mail" photo)



Mrs. A. M. Campos and their friends and relatives photographed outside Church, Kowloon, on Easter Monday. The couple were married in the Church. ("China Mail" photo)

The value of Albi "R" Fire Retardant Paint was demonstrated at North Point last week. Among the many who witnessed the demonstration was Mr. W. McL. Smith, Chief Officer of the Hong Kong Fire Brigade.

Two wooden structures were set alight. The one, sprayed previously with Albi "R" paint, withstood the flames and the intense heat from the other burning structure.

Albi "R" paint protects against fire. Exposed to fire the coating swells to develop an insulating mat which prevents spread of fire and retards penetration and transmissions of heat.

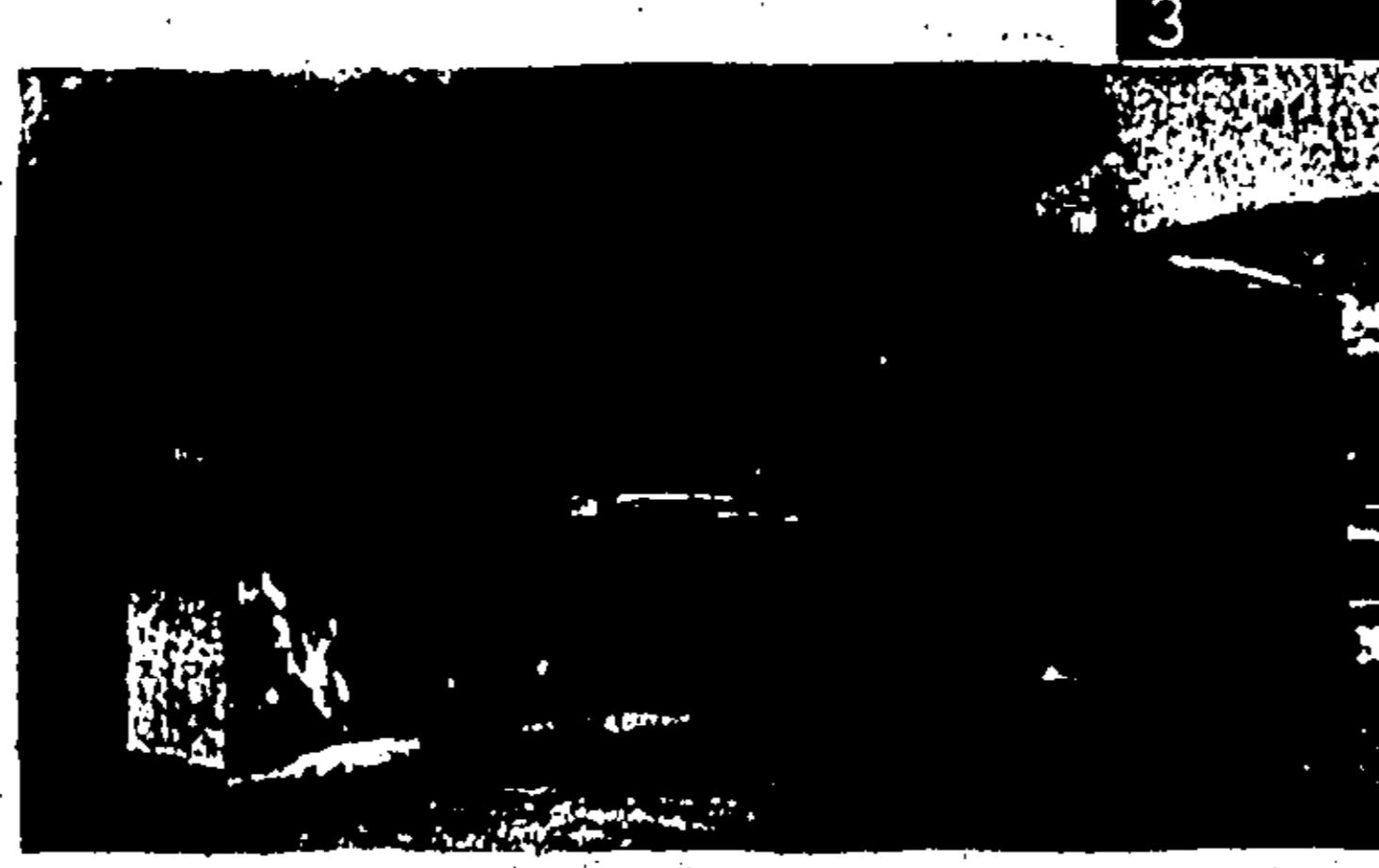
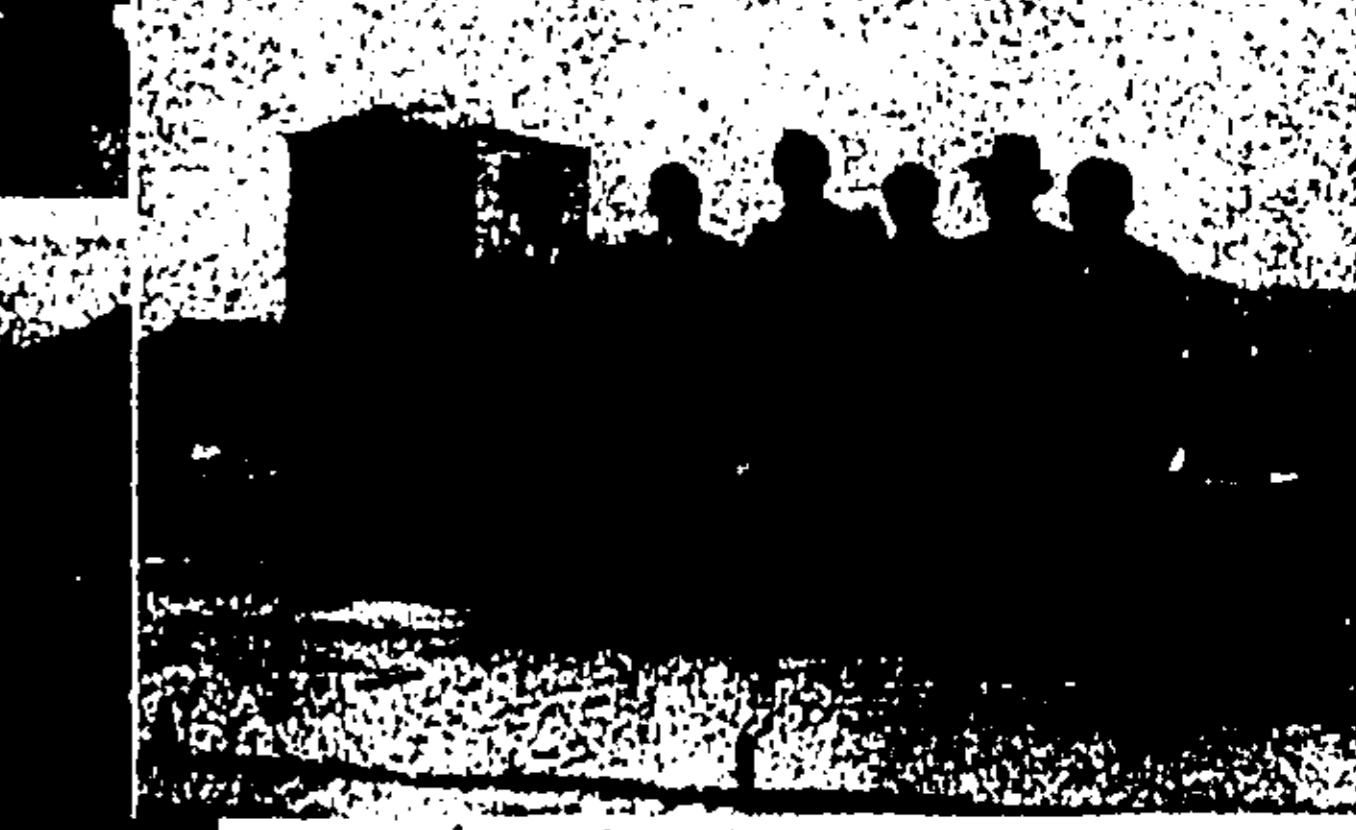
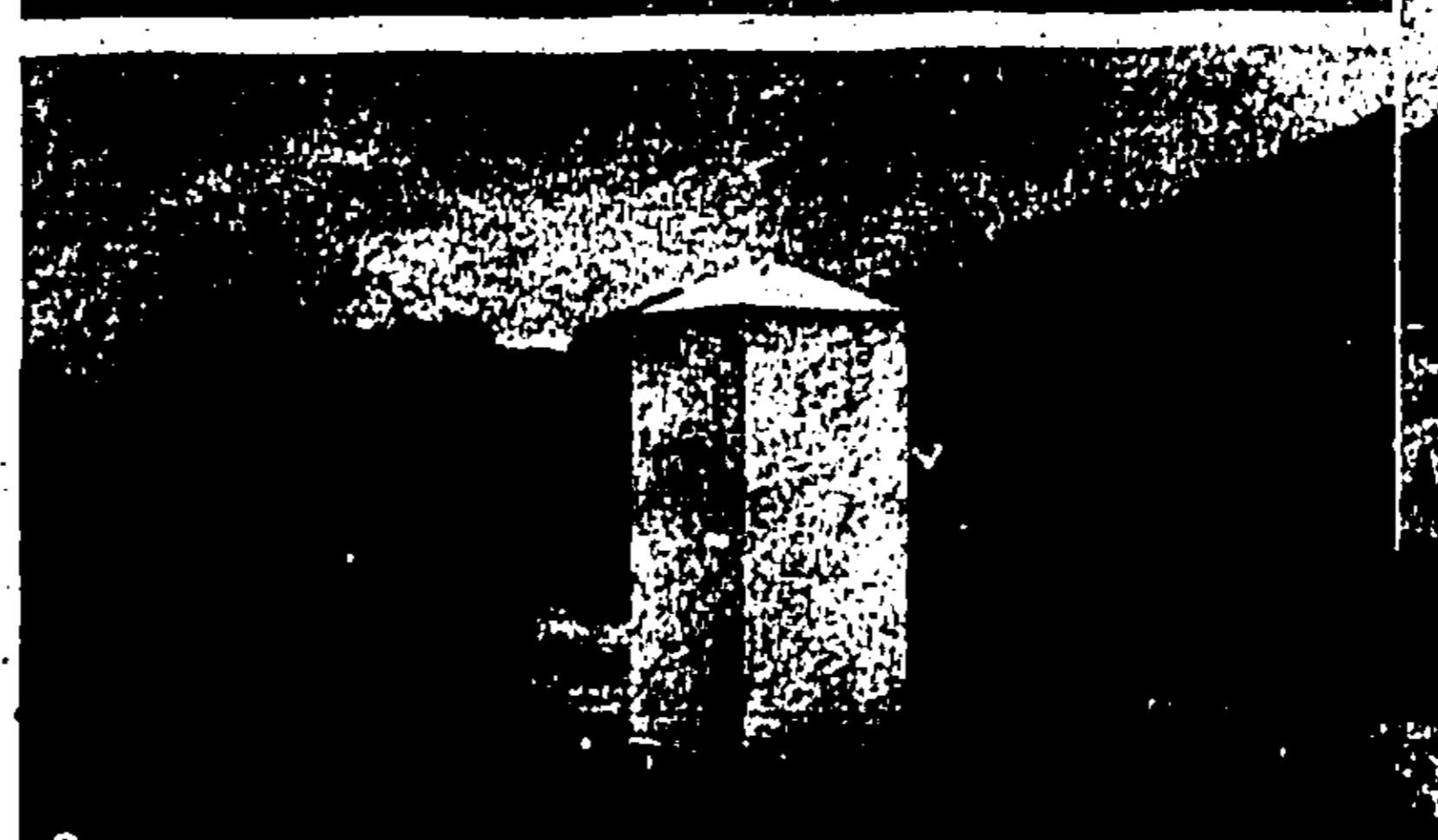
(All photos on this page by "China Mail" Photographer.)

Mr. J. C. M. Grenham explains the discovery and uses of Albi "R" paint at North Point to spectators.

Wood shavings, firewood and kerosene soaked cotton waste in the two wooden structures burn furiously.

The two wooden structures under preparation for the demonstration at North Point.

Representatives of the sole agents for Albi "R" Fire Retardant Paint, Thoresen and Company, Limited, and the representatives of the distributor, H. C. Patterson and Company, and Mr. J. C. M. Grenham.

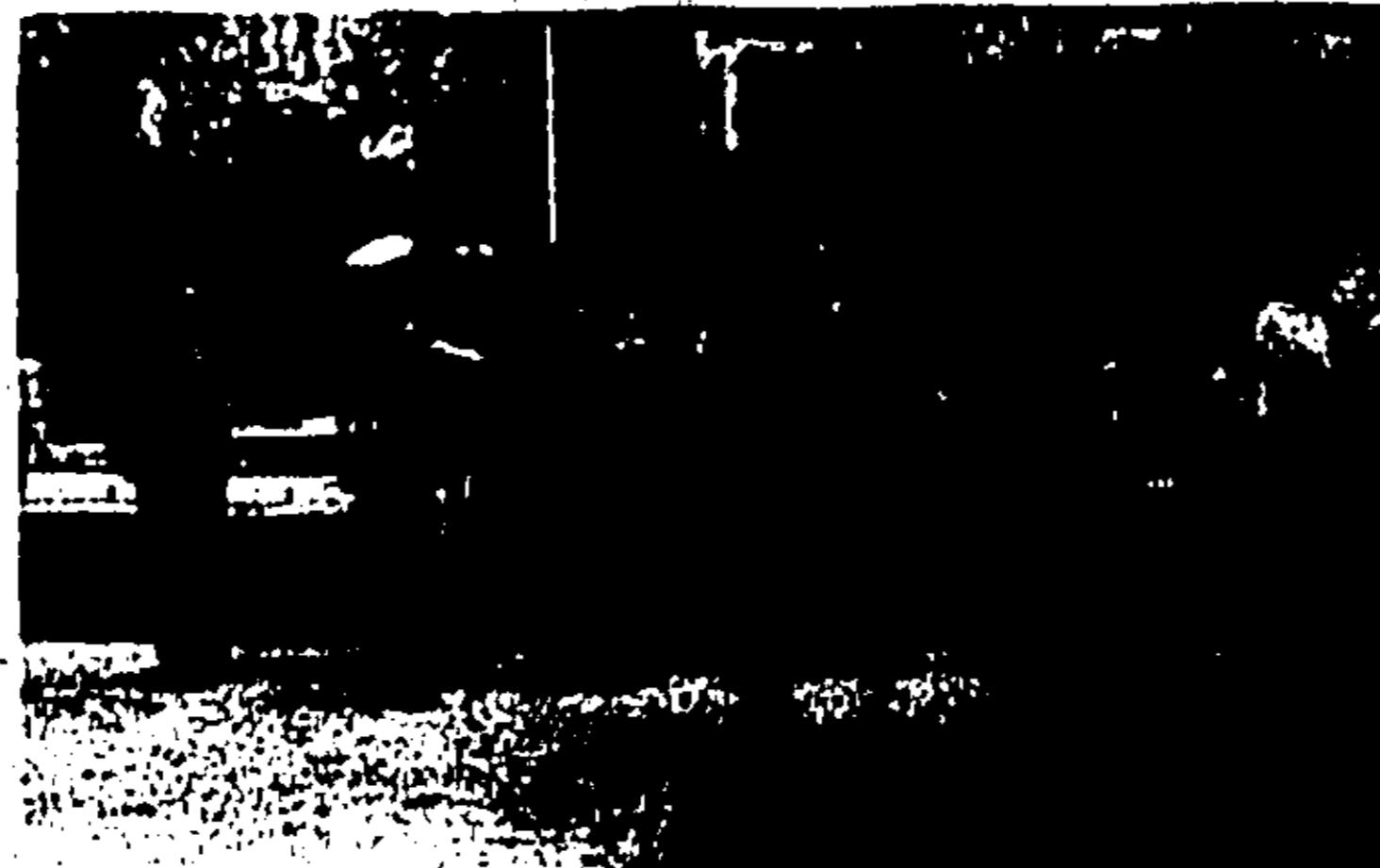


Fanned by a brisk breeze, the structure, not treated by Albi "R" paint was soon completely enveloped in flames. The other retarded the blaze.

A vivid comparison: the structure on the left, treated with Albi "R" Fire Retardant Paint, resisted the fire.

Fifteen minutes later, the structure not sprayed with Albi "R" paint was razed—only the frames remained.

Spectators including Mr. C. W. Brand, Deputy Chief Officer, Fire Brigade, inspect the spongy black substance which formed on the treated structure to prevent the penetration and transmission of heat.



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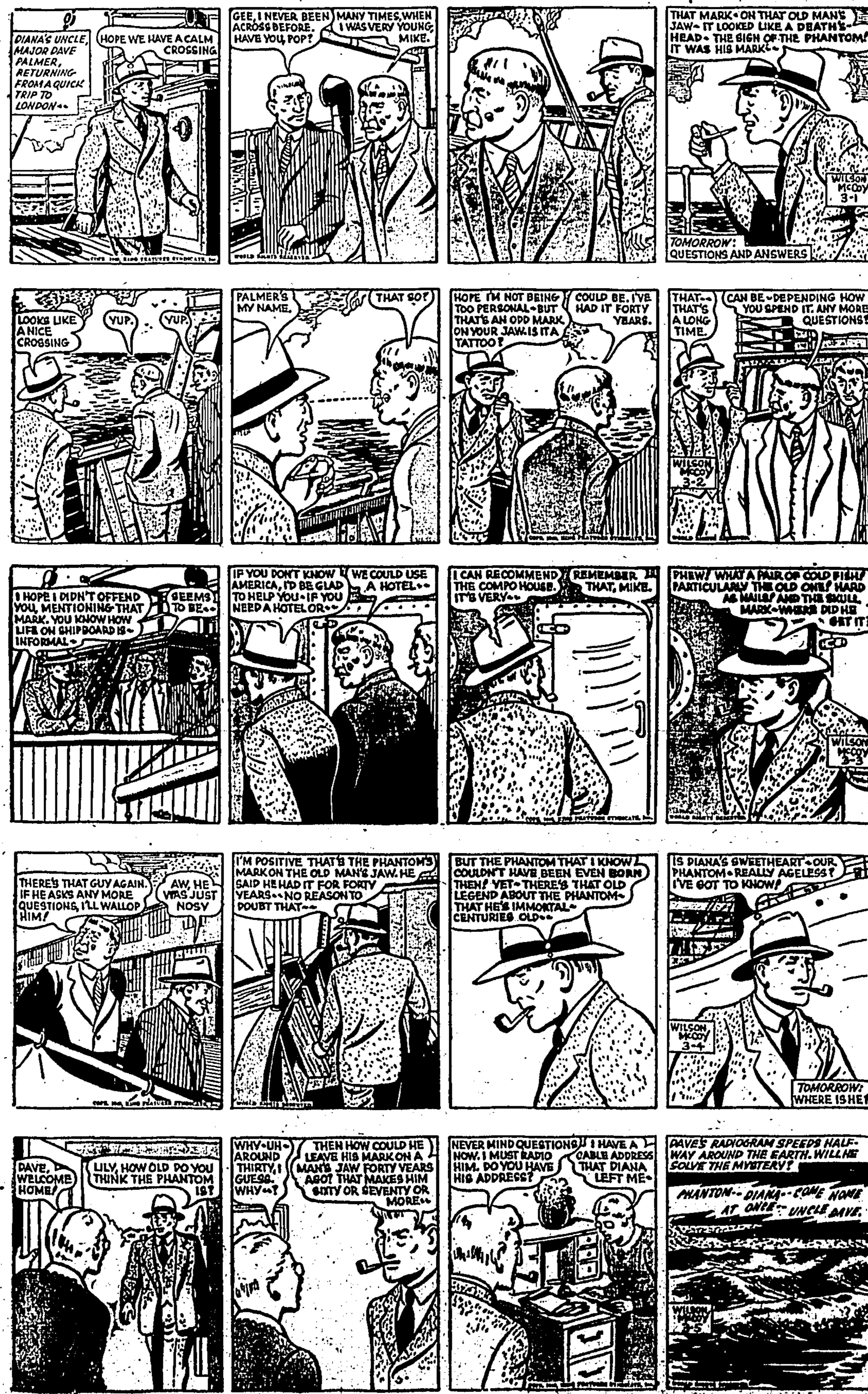
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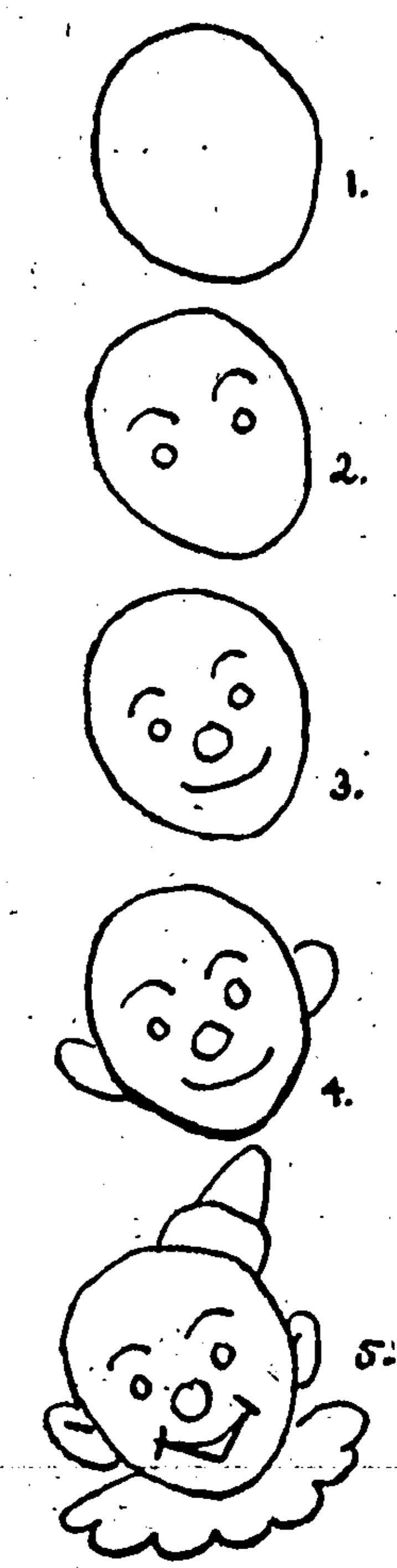
By Lee Falk and Ray Moore

THE PHANTOM



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Step By Step



To do these "Step-By-Step" drawings, start with the simple lines of Figure 1. Then add the other ones till your sketch is finished.

Storybook Thoughts

A gingerbread house with a chocolate roof and candy windowpanes. Would be lots of fun to live in, I think, but what would you do if it rains?

With a magic wand you could have fairy wings. Be a giant or princess, but then what would you do if you lost your wand and you couldn't change back again?

On, I like to read about gingerbread houses. Gay princess and fairy wings, but for all other times I'm just as glad I have real, not make-believe, things!

IDA TYSON WAGNER

"I like my job," explained the taxi-driver to the reporter, "because I run into so many interesting people during the course of my day's work."

Teacher: If you had 16-apples and ate nine of them, what would you have?

John: Pains, sir.

HALL—To dream of a great hall in a strange place means important decisions to be made shortly.

HANDKERCHIEF — Someone has a gift for you.

HANDWRITING—It is a good sign to see written documents in your dream. Be careful of new or untested ventures.

HAIR—All pleasant music is a favourable omen in a dream.

HEAD—Pains in your head, or dreams about accidents, are warnings of difficulties ahead of you. Preserve, but be prudent, and do not let your guard down.

RESCUE—You will be prudent and do not take any risks.

HEAT—You have reason to worry over your circumstances but avoid angry thoughts or words.

HILLIS—These must be looked

HILLS—These must be looked upon as obstacles. If you succeed in climbing the hill, you will put things right with perseverance. The easier the ascent, the better for your future.

for your future.

alter ways of living, which tend to ill health, or a serious misfortune may befall you.

My Baby Sister

I have a little baby sister,
Who is growing bigger and
fatter,
In and out the house she toddles,
And finds eatable things to
eat.

gobble.
* * *
She pokes her head into everything,
And here and there she goes inspecting,
Sometimes you'll find her, in such a mess.

Thus Mummy's care of her looks is useless.

* * *

But anyhow her smile will cheer you.

Whenever she says, "How do you do?"

You cannot help feeling amused.

Because the words are so confused.

She copies our simple actions,
Each day she has some new
inventions,
Hide-and-seek and see-saw she
likes best,
Once she starts play she sel-
dom seeks rest.

When a visitor comes to see us,
She is alarmed and makes quite
a fuss,
If she is being carried she'll
hide her face,
And then peeps at the visitor's
face.

Whenever she is happy or gay,
We all like to stay with her all
day;

But when she is angry and tir-
ing.

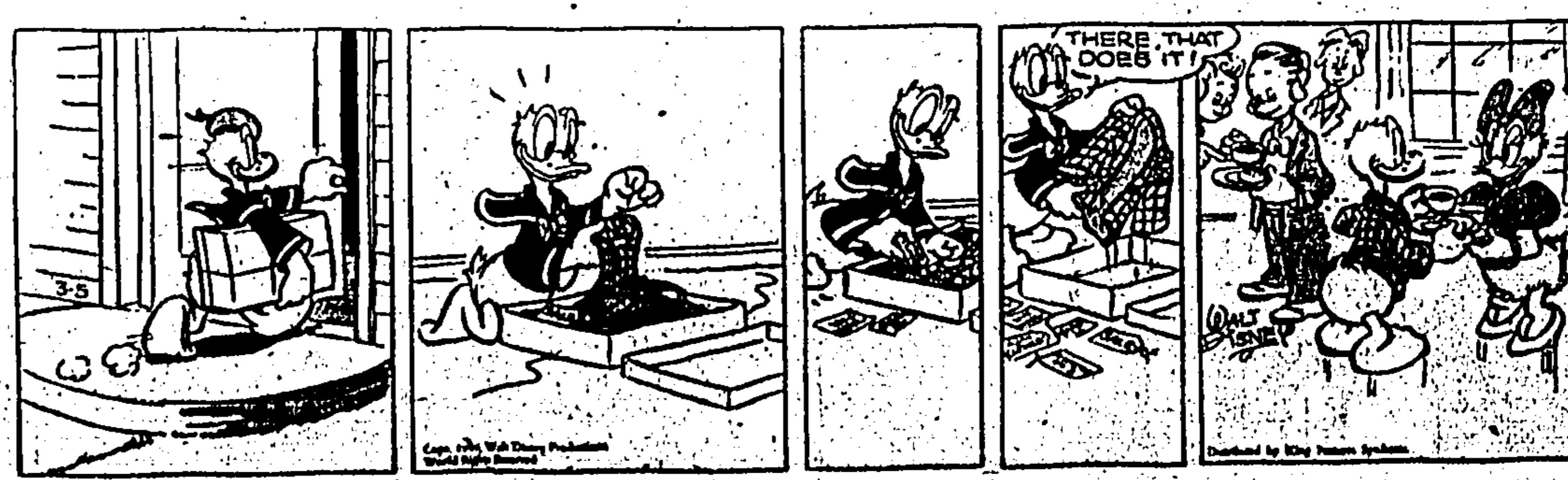
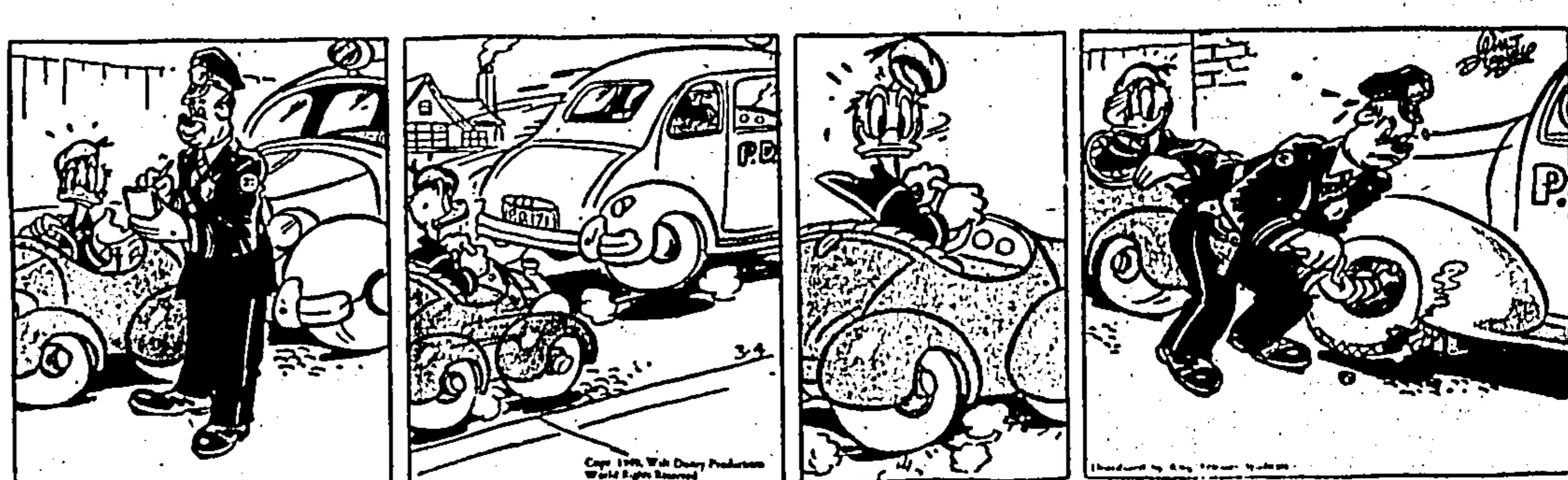
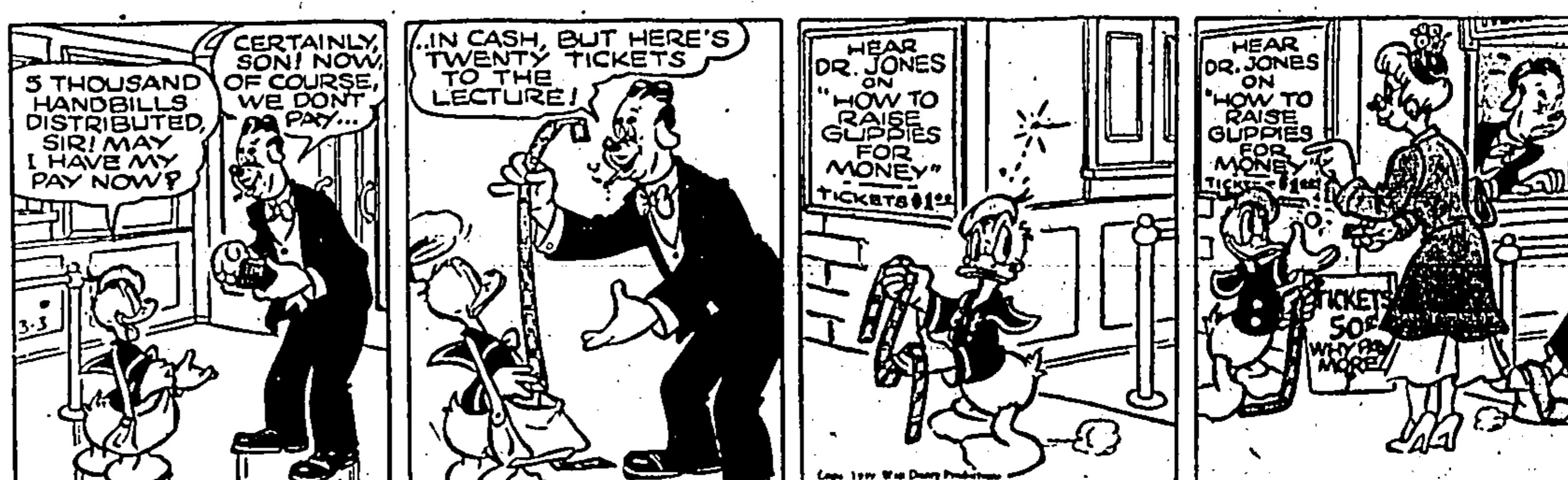
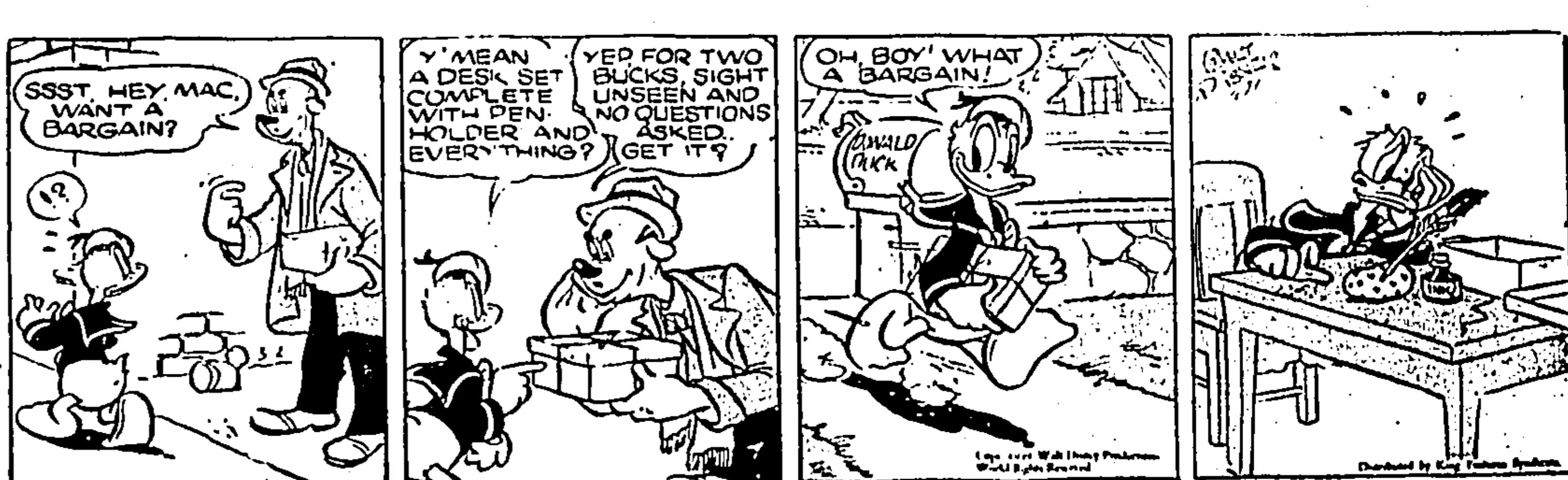
Though she sometimes behaves
naughtily,
She is the pride of our family,
She is not very gentle or mild,
And her name is Nellie Childe.
Honour certificate to Jessie
Childe, of 45, Chungking Arcade,
Kowloon.

"My brother has gone to a medical school."
"What is he going to study."
"Nothing. They are going to study him."

Why should a bank cashier be a well-informed man?—Because he is constantly taking notes.

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DONALD DUCK



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By FRANK GODWIN

RUSTY RILEY



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In The Mailbag

TEEDDY CHU. I'm glad to know you are now staying down at Happy Valley. Hope you like the place.

GEORGE CHAINNING, WILLIAM CHAN, JOAN CHILDE & JESSIE CHILDE. I hope you've all received your certificates.

ZEZITO DE MELLO. If you keep on trying, you'll be sure to win a prize one of these days. So, don't give up.

H.C.C. Members

NAME: Cynthia Ozorio.
ADDRESS: 239, Prince Edward Road, Kowloon.
AGE: 10.

HOBBIEST: Collecting film stars' photos.

NAME: Edward Passos.
ADDRESS: 170, Lockhart Road, 3rd floor, Hong Kong.
AGE: 12.

HOBBIEST: Painting and writing.

NAME: Isabella Palmer.
ADDRESS: 62, Macdonnell Road, Flat No. 7, Hong Kong.
AGE: 12.

HOBBIEST: Stamp collecting.

NAME: Janet Pullen.
ADDRESS: 179, The Peak, Hong Kong.
AGE: 10.

HOBBIEST: Collecting photos and reading.

NAME: Kiraten Rasmussen.
ADDRESS: "Normandie" 409 The Peak.
AGE: Six.

HOBBIEST: —

NAME: Alice E. Rodrigues.
ADDRESS: Argyle Camp 2.

AGE: 14.

HOBBIEST: Swimming, cycling, skating and collecting film stars' photos.

NAME: Manuel Remedios.
ADDRESS: 26, Ashley Road, 2nd floor, Kowloon.
AGE: 13.

HOBBIEST: Sports.

NAME: Becky Rubin.
ADDRESS: Peninsula Hotel, Room 210, Kowloon.
AGE: 13.

HOBBIEST: Embroidery and stamp collecting.

NAME: Fatima Rumjahn.
ADDRESS: 11, Gap Road, 2nd floor, Hong Kong.
AGE: 14.

HOBBIEST: Dancing and collecting movie stars' photos.

My Kitten

My kitten is as white as snow.
He likes to sit by the firelight glow.

He purrs and purrs when I play with him,
And answers to the name of Tim.

He likes to play with my balls of wool,
But simply hates to fall in a pool.

He always likes a quiet nap,
And sometimes sleeps in my lap.

He's very useful in the house,
For sometimes he catches a little mouse,
And when he's grown a full size cat,
I hope he'll catch many a rat.

Honour certificate to Jennifer Tuck of 2, Cox's Path, Kowloon.

Listening-Post

English-language programmes and news from the BBC in London can be heard in Hong Kong on the following stations:—

(All times are Hong Kong Summer Time)

BBC LONDON

(GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE)

5.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.	16.64 metres
7.00 p.m. to 10.00 p.m.	13.92 metres
10.00 p.m. to 11.15 p.m.	16.64 metres
1.00 p.m. to 2.00 p.m.	19.92 metres
2.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.	19.92 metres
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4.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.	16.64 metres
5.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.	13.92 metres
7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.	16.64 metres
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Relays of news broadcasts from the BBC in London, as well as other English-language programmes, can be heard by listeners over the following stations:—

RADIO BEAC CEYLON

19.61 metres	49.35 metres
21.21 metres	49.35 metres

New relays may be heard at the following times: 5.00 p.m. and 1.00 p.m. from Monday to Friday, and also at 10.00 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday on the wavelengths indicated above.

RADIO SINGAPORE

44.31 metres	25.877 metres
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PROGRAMME NEWS

True Romance

In "The Music Box" listeners to the BBC will hear Ted Heath and his Music this week. This brilliant trombonist, on whom a poll last year bestowed the title of Britain's Swing King, was once a "busker". When he was out of a job and his family had struck bad times, he once played with other unemployed musicians in the London streets. One day he was playing outside a big hotel when Jack Hylton, the hotel's bandleader, asked him if he would deputise for an absent trombonist. Since then Ted Heath has never looked back. For a long time he was in the brass section of Geraldo's Orchestra before forming his own.

General Overseas: Friday, 9.15 p.m. and Saturday, 12.15 p.m.

The Outmoded Tear

The BBC's overseas listeners will hear an amusing talk which Desmond MacCarthy gave recently in the BBC's Third Programme. His subject was "Tears." Not, one might think, an obviously funny subject, but, as an eminent literary critic, Desmond MacCarthy was considering how popular tears once were in fiction and how unfashionable they are today. As he points out, even the sentimental novelists of our day impose from self-control on their heroes and heroines and allow them no more than a quiver of the lip. From that he goes on to dwell upon the reason and meaning of tears in life and literature. On the whole, he seems to feel that today we are too suspicious of the generous, sympathetic tear, too apt to think of it as a sign of weakness.

It was not always so. Tears were once "The noble language of the eye" and an ornament of womanhood. The generation of Dickens and Thackeray was proud of a "manly tear." Desmond MacCarthy recalls the scene in the House of Commons during the Crimean War when Lord John Russell withdrew his second Reform Bill. "I know," wrote an M.P. in 1854 describing it, "that the unbidden tears gushed to my cheeks, and looking round could see scores of other 'careless, worldly men struck by the same motion—and even the Speaker (as he subsequently admitted to me) was affected in precisely the same manner. The face of the Caucasian (Dissert!) was, of course, as immovable as usual, ut Mr. Walpole wept outright."

Not a scene that one can easily imagine in the House today.

General Overseas: Friday, 8.30 p.m.

Sunday, April 24

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

8.00 MUSIC FROM GRAND HOTEL—Palm Court Orchestra Directed

B.B.C. Highlights

by Tom Jenkins James Johnson (tenor).

3.10 THE RADIO DOCTOR.

3.15 TIME FOR WORSHIP—from St. Charles' Church, Hull, conducted by the Rev. Father Patrick McEnroe.

3.30 BILLY MAYERL RHYTHM ENSEMBLE.

3.45 FOOTBALL RESULTS.

4.15 BEATING OF TATTOO—by the band and corps of drums of the Coldstream Guards in the grounds of Windsor Castle. Ceremony described by Tom Chalmers and Henry Riddell. (Recording of St. George's Day broadcast).

5.30 SUNDAY SERVICE—from St. Charles' Church, Hull, conducted by the Rev. Father Patrick McEnroe.

9.15 TAKE IT FROM HERE—Joy Nichols, Dick Bentley, Jimmy Edwards, Wallis Eaton, Alan Dean, the Keynotes, BBC Revue Orchestra, conductor, Frank Cantell.

10.10 HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN.

10.15 'MUSICAL MEMORIES'—The George Melachrino Orchestra.

11.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.

11.15 BRITISH CONCERT HALL—LIVERPOOL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA Conducted and presented by Sir Malcolm Sargent. Two Slavonic Dances: No. 10 in E minor; No. 9 in B major....Dvorak Air on the G String Bach, arr. Malcolm Sargent. Variations on an original theme (Enigma)....Elgar.

Monday, April 25

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.

11.30 'ME, THE COMPOSER AND YOU'—Richard Addinsell.

P.M.

1.30 BALLET MUSIC—The Gods Go A-begging (Handel) and The Haunted Ballroom (Toye). BBC Midland Light Orchestra, conductor, Gilbert Vinter. Introduced by Philip Cunningham.

2.15 HANDS ACROSS THE KEYS—David Buchan at the piano.

4.15 NORMAN GRIFFITHS—and his Sextet.

4.45 UNITED NATIONS REPORT.

5.00 'THE SMALL HOUSE AT ALINGTON'—by Anthony Trollope. Final episode.

5.30 'HAVE A GO!'—The Quiz visits the Royal Navy on board H.M.S. Anson.

6.00 'MASTER POTTER'S'—A dramatic feature programme by Marguerite Francis.

6.15 BBC NORTHERN VARIETY ORCHESTRA.

9.15 BBC SCOTTISH ORCHESTRA—Conductor: Ian Whyte. Overture: Susanna's Secret. Wolf-Ferrari Symphony No. 2 in D....Brahms

11.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.

11.15 Eric Barker in 'WATERLOGGED SPA'.

12.16 BBC MIDLAND LIGHT ORCHESTRA.

Tuesday, April 26

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.

11.30 'WELCOME TO OUR MUSIC' with Barbara Sumner, Len Marten, and Ken Morris.

11.45 'COMMONWEALTH AND EMPIRE'—

P.M.

1.30 'VARIETY BANDBOX'—with Albert Modley, Barbara Sumner, Bill Kerr, Max Geldray, Gene Crowley, Harold Geller, Tuppy Oliver, and Douglas Maynard.

3.15 'VARIETY CALLS THE TUNE'—BBC Variety Orchestra. Conductor: Rae Jenkins. Frederick Thurston (clarinet) Joy Hoodless (Australian soprano).

6.00 'FROM THE THIRD PRO-

gramme'—

Wednesday, April 27

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.

11.00 'THE STORYTELLER'—The Three Hostages, by John Buchan, fourth of eight episodes, Read by Arthur Bush.

P.M.

12.15 'TWENTY QUESTIONS'—Anona Winn, Daphne Padel, Jack Train, and Richard Dimbleby, who ask all questions, and Stewart MacPherson who knows (almost) all the answers.

5.00 'MUCH BINDING IN THE MARSH.'

5.30 'THE FESTIVAL SEASON'—A feature programme to introduce the many Festivals of the Arts which are taking place this year in the towns and country of Britain. Narrator: Ralph Truman. Written and produced by Terry Gompertz.

6.00 'CONCERTO'—A series of weekly programmes Mozart's Piano Concerto No. 23 in A played by Phyllis Sellick and the BBC Northern Orchestra, conducted by Clarence Raybould. Programme also includes: Glinka's Waltz Fantasy and Tchaikovsky's Ballet Suite: The Sleeping Beauty.

8.15 BBC MIDLAND LIGHT ORCHESTRA.

8.45 'GENERALLY SPEAKING'—My Grandmother's Theatre Book—A talk by Compton Mackenzie.

9.15 BBC SCOTTISH ORCHESTRA—Conductor: Ian Whyte.

11.00 RADIO NEWSREEL—Including edited commentary on the Two Thousand Guineas Race at Newmarket.

12.45 'BALANCE OF EUROPE'—A weekly commentary by Andrew Shonfield on the Recovery Programme.

Thursday, April 28

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.

10.30 Bebe Daniels, Vic Oliver, and Ben Lyon in 'HI, GANGI 1949' with Benny Lee, George Mitchell's Hi Gangsters. The Dance Orchestra, conducted by Stanley Black.

P.M.

2.45 AS THE COMMENTATOR SAW IT—Racing: Two Thousand Guineas at Newmarket.

5.00 'IN BRITAIN NOW'—A National Magazine.

7.00 'SCIENCE AND EVERY DAY LIFE'—Professor Gordon Stephenson talks about designing modern houses.

7.15 BBC WELSH ORCHESTRA—Conducted by Arwel Hughes.

All Times Are H.K. Summer Time

Harding Jenkins (baritone) Overture: Yellow Princess...Saint-Saens 'Hear me, yet wind and waves'...Handel, arr. Amelja Lehmann Novellette No. 2 (Strings, tambourin, and triangle)....Coleridge - Taylor 'Arm, Arm ye Brave'...Handel Suite for Morris Dances. Foster Waltz of the Flowers....Tchaikovsky March Lorraine....Gann 8.30 'SONGS AND SHANTIES'—BBC Men's Chorus Conductor: Leslie Woodgate. Stanley Riley (baritone) Frederick Stone (at the piano). 8.15 'LEFT'S MAKE MUSIC'—Syd

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ney Lipton and his Orchestra with Lee Lawrence and Pat Hutton.

9.15 PIERRE BERNAC (baritone).

11.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.

11.15 'THE PUPPET PULLED THE STRINGS'—A comedy for broadcasting by Charles Hutton.

12.00 JERSEY INTERNATIONAL ROAD RACE—A commentary.

Friday, April 29

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.

11.00 'MEET THE COMMONWEALTH'

11.30 JERSEY INTERNATIONAL ROAD RACE—A recorded commentary.

P.M.

12.15 BBC SCOTTISH ORCHESTRA Conductor: Ian Whyte.

1.30 'HI, GANGI 1949'.

6.00 AMANDA MCKITTRICK ROSE—A tribute to the alliterative lady of Larne, by Denis Johnston and Douglas Cleverdon.

7.00 'THE PRESS AND THE PEOPLE'—The elements which make up a newspaper, and methods of presentation and distribution are analysed by David Keir and Ronald Collier.

8.30 'FROM THE THIRD PROGRAMME'—Tears—A talk by Desmond MacCarthy.

8.45 STAR VARIETY—Billy Thorburn and Maurice Keary.

9.15 Ted Heath and his Music in 'THE MUSIC BOX'.

11.00 RADIO NEWSREEL—Including edited commentary on the One Thousand Guineas Race at Newmarket.

11.15 'CONCERTO'—A series of weekly programmes William Walton's Concerto for violin and orchestra in B minor, played by Campoli and the BBC Northern Orchestra, conductor, Charles Groves. Programme also includes Haydn's Symphony No. 86 in D.

12.15 'ME, THE COMPOSER, AND YOU'—In which Robert Tredinnick brings to the microphone a leading British composer of light music, 3: Harry Parr-Davies.

12.45 'WORLD AFFAIRS'—A survey by A. P. Ryan.

Saturday, April 30

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

P.M.

2.45 'THE MUSIC BOX'.

2.45 AS THE COMMENTATOR SAW IT—Racing: One Thousand Guineas at Newmarket.

5.00 'THE ADVENTURES OF P.C. 49'—The Case of the Giant Marrow'.

6.00 'MUSIC IN YOUR HOME'—BBC Midland Light Orchestra.

6.30 'OPERA'—National Opera—an illustrated talk by Boyd

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Letters Of A Self-Made Girl

DEAR DADDY.—How are you, I am very well. Thank you for sending me the geography book. I swapped it with a Polish girl for a compass and a fountain pen. I am going to sell the fountain pen for 2 shillings to a girl called Eileen. Would you like a compass for your birthday, it is a brass one.

I had a smashing ride on the horse "Dusty" but Mr. Tugg says I need some new boots. It isn't safe for me to canter in my old boots, at least not very fast. I have lost my riding gloves so I can't steer very well. I want a new hat badly. My old hat bumps up and down on my head when I trot.

Miss Allison says I must have a geography book after all so please send me one before Friday as we are learning the Rivers of France. It is very important.

We has a match against a school called Bunting Towers yesterday and I scored 2 goals. May I have some more pocket money. Please!!!! I have finished what you gave me and I want to buy a smashing hockey stick from a girl who is hard up called Clarice. Thank you for the cold cream for my lips, I am longing to climb up the chestnut tree again, only 20 more days now.

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NEWS QUIZ

1. It is now fairly certain that the United States is to test out various rocket weapons in the wide open spaces of Australia. What is the name of the testing ground selected?
2. You may have read during the week of the "world peace conference" being held in Paris. What well-known singer is taking part?
3. Eire has become a free, independent Republic. What is the name of her President?
4. A world-famous Jew, regarded as the leader of the Zionist movement, died in the United States last week. His name?
5. Commonwealth statesmen are meeting in London. What is most important subject of their discussions?
6. BOAC produced something new (to Hong Kong anyway) in the line of flyingboats during the week. What is it called?

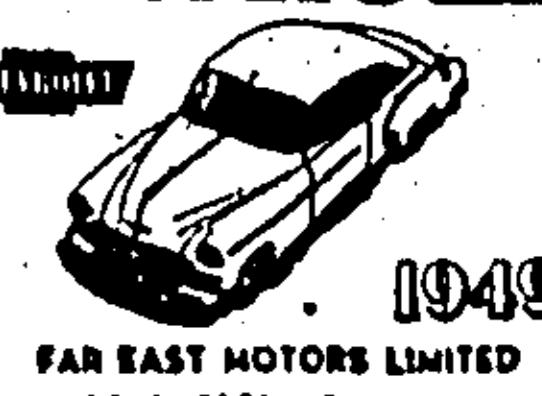
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GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

1. British Members of Parliament are paid better than any legislators in the world except Congressmen in the United States. How much does a British MP get a year?
2. The present Labour Government's majority in the Commons is 186. The biggest majority ever by a British Government was 423. What party was in power and when was it?
3. If you won the Victoria Cross, you would find two words engraved beneath a crown and a lion. What are the words?
4. The annuities which the British nation gives the King are known as the Civil List. What does this sum amount to today?
5. If someone mentioned "Bourbon" to you, what should it call to your mind—apart from a type of American whisky?
6. You all know President Harry S. Truman. What does the "S" stand for?

(Answers on Page 2). —

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A point-count standard for an opening bid of One No-trump is not enough. In addition to this some allowance should be made for the strength or weakness of the hand in cards of intermediate value. A hand can be very weak if its high cards, distributed over the various suits, are unsupported by cards of intermediate value.

It is strange that the importance of supporting cards should be overlooked even by some of our more expert players. There were some examples of this in the recent trials for the selection of European internationals. Opening bids of One No-trump were made on hands A and B in these trials.

HAND A
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H A 5 3 C K 6 3

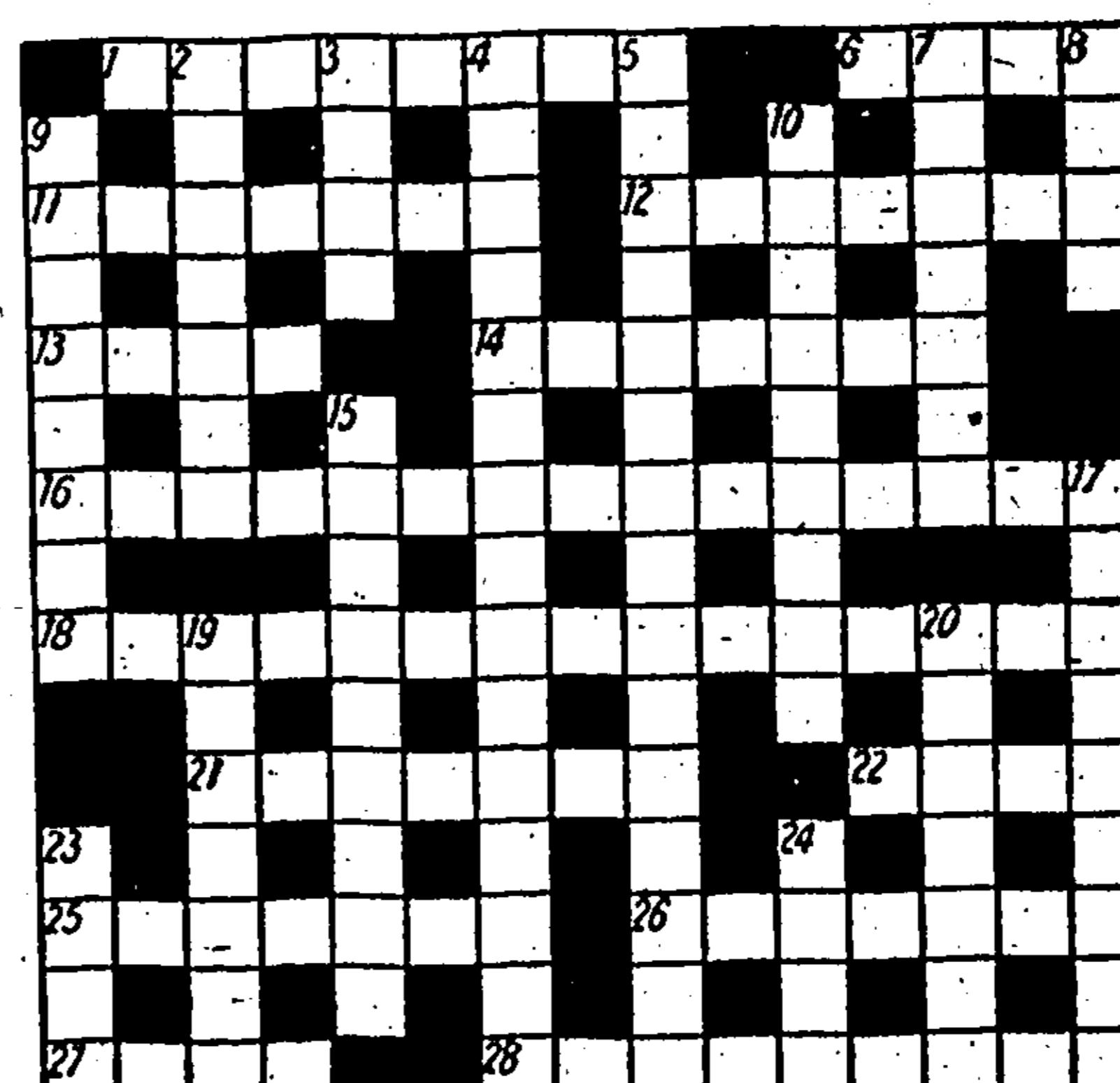
HAND B
S 8 6 D A 9 5
H Q 10 7 5 C A J 5

The declarer was doubled in One No-trump, and made only four, instead of seven, tricks on each hand. The absence of cards of intermediate value in hand A is almost complete, while in hand B the few cards of intermediate value were of little help, for lack of solidity throughout the hand.

A point-count method of valuation is very unreliable because it does not reflect the value of Jacks, Tens and Nines as supporting cards. When an Ace kills a King or a King a Queen, a Jack or a Ten or even a Nine becomes a winner, but if these cards are missing the outlook is blank.

Here is a hand, hand C with 13 points, the same number as hand A: Spades, Q, J, 9; Hearts, K, J, 10; Diamonds, A, 5, 3; Clubs, Q, 10, 9. This moderate hand is full of trick-making possibilities in a No-trump contract. Contrast it with hand A, which might make only one trick. I am not a believer in the so-called "strong No-trump," but I am still less a believer in a "weak No-trump" when the bidder cannot differentiate between hand C and hand A or B above.

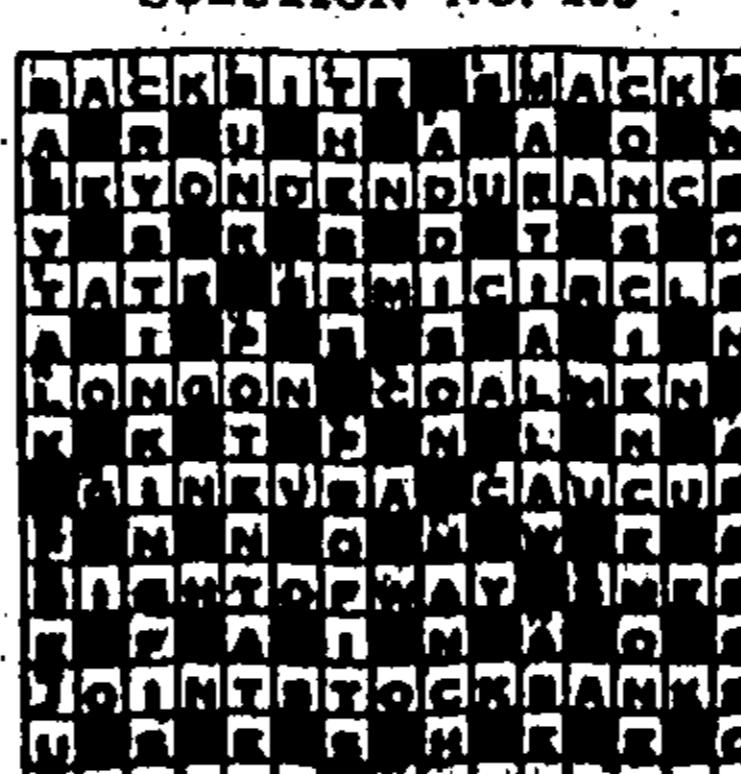
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Across

- 1 Describes beauty superficially. (4-4)
- 6 Back Alias for getting food. (4)
- 11 A yard cur? (4, 3)
- 12 Did Cleopatra sew with this? (7)
- 13 This purchase is progressively yours. (4)
- 14 Not town in the moors, but in old days the reverse. (7)
- 16 Do they help one to stumble into bed? (7, 8)
- 18 Railway loose boxes? (8, 7)

SOLUTION NO. 103



- 21 Air seat for a Titan's daughter. (7)
- 22 It is I, suggests the pirate. (4)
- 25 This Peninsula is the Peninsula that includes 14. (7)
- 26 "My Lady—by a private whim. To his extreme annoyance—him" (Belloc). (7)
- 27 Not gain for labour, but labour, for gain. (4)
- 28 Lately he sang outside. (8)

Down

- 2 Relatively gentle colour? (7)
- 3 Done wrong. (4)
- 4 The "Busy tone" for fiancées. (10, 5)
- 5 He is likely to get going, of course. (8, 7)
- 7 An ape, perhaps, at the church. (7)
- 8 All right, see me about it. (4)
- 9 Literary sequence. (8)
- 10 It's a personal draw for both men and women. (3, 6)
- 15 Not the rising escalator. (9)
- 17 Men and women here keep up with it, but men only in America. (9)
- 19 He does not profess to be a player. (7)
- 20 There's something very smell in the lid. (7)
- 23 Nowadays it's less in almost every house. (4)
- 24 Ancient form of warning signal. (4)

The Chinese Junk

"Chinese Junk" was the subject of a talk given to the British Nautical Research Society by Mr. Worcester who has been studying junks for 20 years.

His aim was to show the audience some of the beauty and grace of Chinese junks which he always loved.

In his descriptions of junks from the borders of Tibet on the Yangtze down river to the coast then South to Hong Kong, he showed many models made of cardboard and coloured realistically, which made a refreshing change from the usual run of lectures by specialists.

Mr. Worcester pointed out that with a little practice it is possible to tell not only from what district a junk comes, but also what it is used for. The general rule seems to be square bow for trade and sharp bow for fishing.

In the course of his lecture Mr. Worcester said there was no doubt that the balanced rudder was invented in China.

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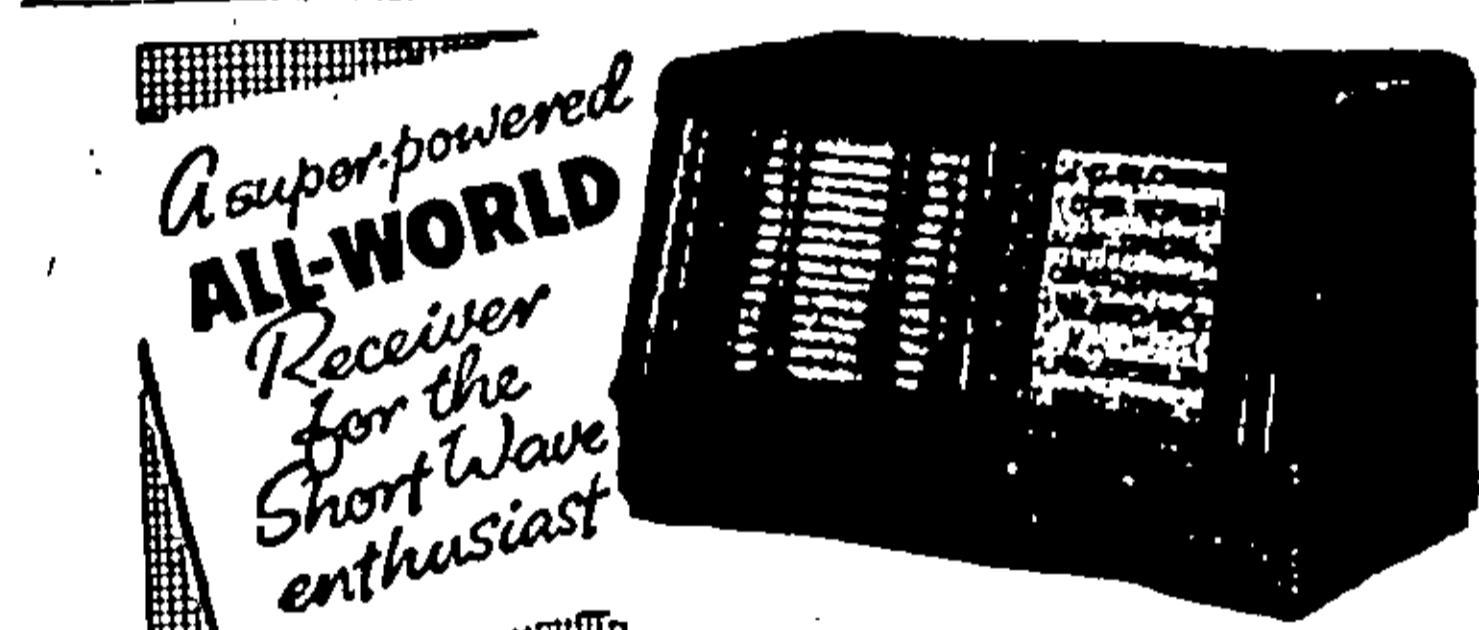
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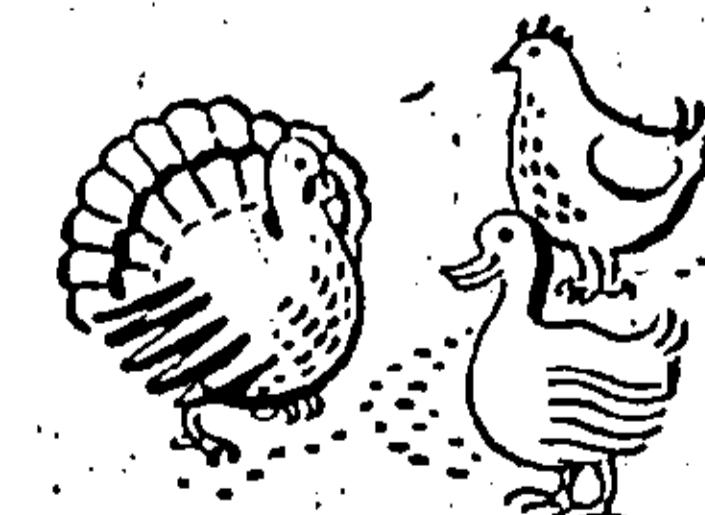
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RUSSIAN PUPPETS SAY THEIR LITTLE PIECE

Union Fight On Communism In Orient

New York, April 22. The American Federation of Labour has intensified its war on Communism by deciding to open offices in Tokyo and Bombay within the next 10 days. Two of its veteran international experts will leave for the Orient. Mr. Irving Brown will leave next Monday or Tuesday by plane for India. Mr. Richard Deverall will leave within 10 days to open the Tokyo headquarters.

Mr. Deverall returned six months ago from Japan, where he served two years as Chief of the Labour Division in General Douglas MacArthur's Headquarters.

Mr. Matthew Woll, Vice-President of the AFL, said their talks will be to promote free trade, unionism, among the workers of Japan and India in opposition to the Communists.—Reuters.

Death For Slav Nazi

Belgrade, April 22. A Yugoslav People's court today sentenced a Yugoslav war criminal to death and his two assistants to nine years hard labour.

The three defendants, who were handed over to Yugoslavia by the British authorities in Trieste, pleaded guilty before the court at Tuzla, Bosnia.

Members of the Fascist Ustashi organisation during the war, they were convicted of organising concentration camps for German SS units, fighting the liberation army and blackmailing Serbs who tried to escape Nazi persecution.—United Press.

Soviet Russia's delegate told the Communist-supported World Peace Congress here today that the Soviet people do not wish to attack anyone and hate the very thought of war. The bearded Metropolitan Nicolas of Kroutitsky and Kolomna declared: "The Russian Orthodox Church considers it the holy duty of every Christian to oppose war preparations by all means. The Orthodox Church believes that the desire for peace will conquer."

Madame Tsola Dragovitcheva, Bulgarian Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, said the people of Bulgaria are also opposed to war. Her country, thanks to Russian aid, had for the first time in history seen political power pass from the oppressors and exploiters to the overwhelming majority of the people, she added.

Earlier, Miss Kitty Hookham, British secretary of the World Federation of Democratic Youth, told the Congress that world youth is being sacrificed to the mounting fury of war propaganda.

Miss Hookham, red-haired student of the London School of Economics, aged 23, stated: "It has been said that youth is a nation's greatest hope but in more than half the world today youth is being thrown on the scrap heap."

Mr. Donald Henderson, President of the American Tobacco Workers Union, declared: "Believe me, we will not easily be driven to war against the Soviet Union, the workers' republic, or lay down our lives for Wall Street, Washington and the dollar."

M. Gabriel Durboussier, a councillor of the French Union and Vice-President of the African Democratic Party, described the native peoples of Africa as being solidly behind the world peace movement.

Joan Of Arc

The first speaker at the afternoon session was Madame Françoise Leclerc, President of the Union of French Women, who said that anyone in the United States who expects the French people to join them in a trial of strength against the Soviet Union will be disappointed.

"In the words of Joan of Arc, you can blind me but you cannot bind the future of France."

The delegates cheered as Madame L. Kosmodemianskaya, mother of Zoya, a front-line girl fighter sometimes known as the Russian "Joan of Arc," described how, in 1941, her daughter led a group of partisans across the German lines, how she was captured, tortured, stripped and exposed to the cold, and then hanged.

"Now our country is devoted to constructive work to heal the wounds of war. Our country wants a solid and just peace throughout the whole world," she said.

"But the oppressors are preparing to hurl all their power against the Soviet Union."

Davis Incident

A party of children from a Paris suburb presented a bouquet to Madame Kosmodemianskaya. One of them, a boy aged six, said over the microphone: "We thank you for fighting against the terrible scourge of war."

Just as the afternoon session was closing, Mr. Garry Davis, American self-styled "World Citizen No. 1," tried to gore-crash the Congress and address the delegates.

Officials at the Hall said he could not enter as he is not a delegate. In the message he wished to give the Congress, Mr. Davis said he had asked to be heard by all Soviet, Polish, Bulgarian and other men who live on the other side of "what is called the Iron Curtain."

He added: "I ask no more than to be heard by them, so that they shall know that in the West there are Citizens of the World

Paris, April 22.

INFORMAL TALKS AT LAKE SUCCESS ON THE BLOCKADE

Paris, April 23.

The French Foreign Minister, Robert Schuman, yesterday confirmed that there have been informal conversations at Lake Success between Russia and the Western allies for a possible end to the Berlin blockade.

Speaking to a news conference following yesterday's Cabinet meeting, M. Schuman said, however, that the Russians have not made any definite proposals for a solution to the Berlin crisis.

Robeson Promises To Be Good

Stockholm, April 23.

Paul Robeson has promised not to make any more political speeches while appearing at concerts in Sweden.

Elmer Denwall, Director of the concert company, said Robeson had promised him to sing and not talk and irritate his listeners in his second concert next Monday.

On Thursday night Robeson sang a Russian anthem in Stockholm's Concert Hall, causing a tumult which drowned out his voice.

The negro artist also delivered a short speech in which he said he wanted universal peace, but above all, peace with the Soviet Union.

His speech was greeted with loud whistles (the European equivalent of the boo) and many left the hall. Robeson's statement on Wednesday at the Communist-sponsored Paris World Peace Congress that American negroes would never fight the Soviet Union has been disputed by a negro leader in New York.—Associated Press.

Italians Killed In Asmara

Tel Aviv, April 21.

Unconfirmed reports reaching here today from Asmara, capital of Italy's former Red Sea colony of Eritrea, said a number of Italians have been killed and wounded in racial riots there.

The African population is demanding the evacuation of all Europeans and a union with Ethiopia, the reports said. They added that a curfew has been imposed on all Europeans except the military.

Reuters' correspondent at Asmara reported on April 11 that British troops were patrolling the town after an Italian had been shot by Eritreans. A curfew was expected.

Earlier, the British administration in Eritrea had outlawed the youth section of the "Eritrea to Ethiopia" Party on the ground that it had carried on subversive activity likely to endanger public security. — Reuters.

Greek Communist Predicts Victory

Prague, April 22.

Miltiades Porphyrogenis, Minister of Justice in the Greek Communist government, today predicted decisive victories for the rebels this year and withdrawal of American military observers from Greece.

He told the United Press that General Markos was relieved as guerilla leader because he suffered near nervous breakdown during the fighting at Grammos Mountains last autumn. He said that Markos would recover well enough to take over the command again.

Porphyrogenis was stranded here when the French Government refused to grant him a visa to attend the "peace conference" in Paris. He served as "Free Greece's" delegate to the rump conference here but said he is returning to the rebel territory later today because there is much work to be done.

He reiterated the Greek rebel charges that George Polk was murdered by the Athens Government and described yesterday's sentencing of Gregory Staktopoulos for the crime as part of a "deal" concerning the rebel military situation.

He said: "Our troops may not be in Athens but we shall win decisive victories this year. We have a chance and it is now up to us to take advantage of it. It will be a hard struggle, there

are no illusions about that, but we will win."

He refused to divulge the number of guerilla troops in action, saying it is a military secret. But he claimed that the ranks are steadily reinforced by deserters from the Government side.

Asked if he thinks that American aid will be withdrawn after the "decisive victories" of the rebels, Porphyrogenis said: "Certainly." He claimed that the people of Greece support the rebel forces rather than the Government.—United Press.

DESTROYERS IN COLLISION

Honolulu, April 22.

The United States destroyer, Leonard Mason, today rammed her sister destroyer during manoeuvres off Oahu. Only one sailor was slightly injured.

The Mason ran into the USS Fife, causing a 10-foot gap in the Fife's forward compartment of the ship. The Mason was flooded but both vessels proceeded 50 miles to Pearl Harbour under their own power for repairs.—United Press.

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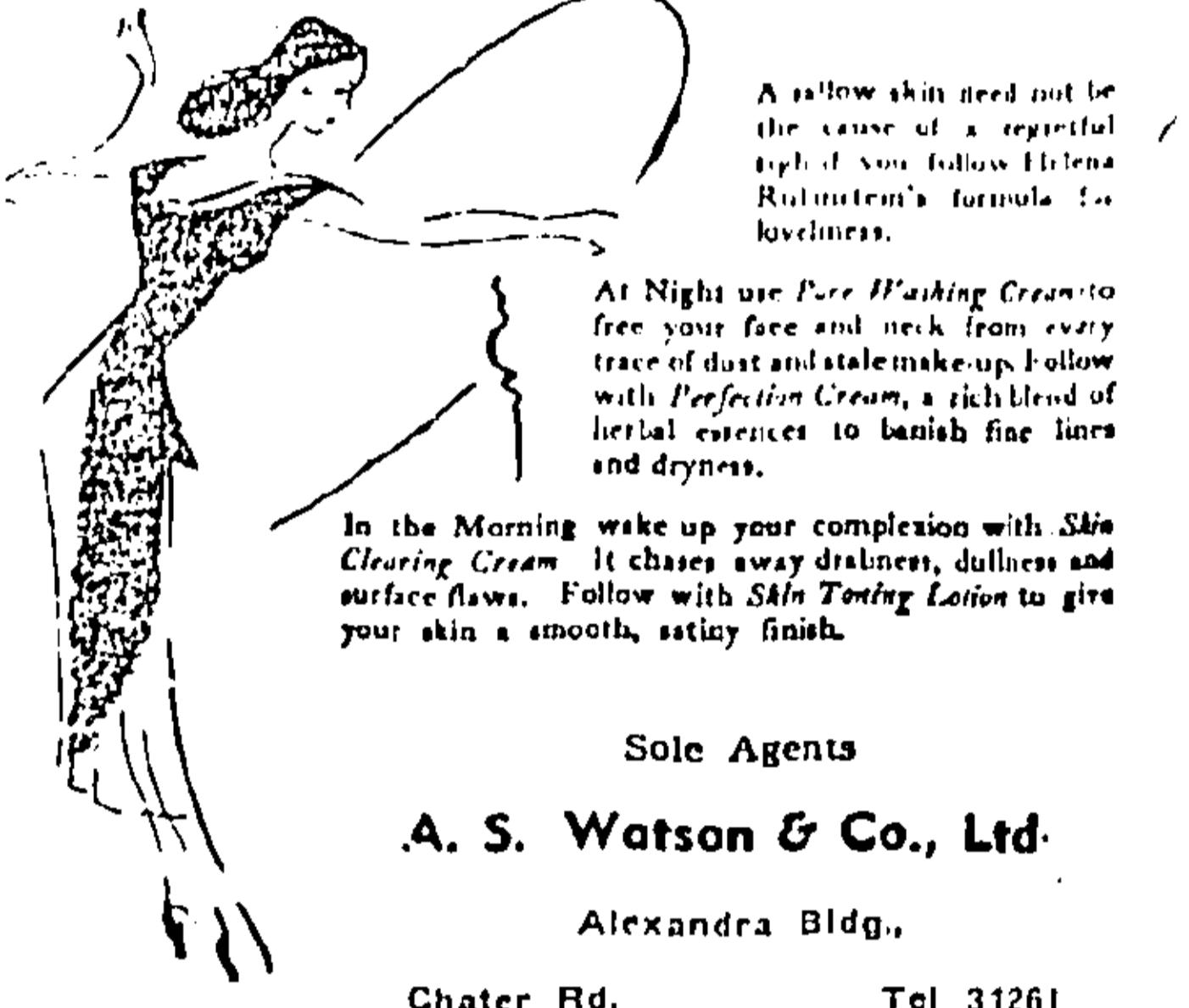
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Between Ourselves

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ONE SKIRT, THREE BLOUSES

By JANET MARTIN

Summer blouses and skirts have a special, and very definite place in every smart girl's wardrobe. They are chic; they are fashion right for morning, noon or night; and, above all, they are interchangeable.

All the favourite skirts are coming in again for summer, smartened up in new materials. There is the dirndl, the button-through and the wrap-around. But to be really chic, the blouse-and-skirt ensemble this season must be something a little more subtle.

Blouse and skirt must be part of a plan, not a haphazard partnership. Let us follow the fortunes of a smart new skirt and the three blouses it takes out at different times of the day.

The skirt is a rather chic affair, with a smart simplicity of line, cut in three pieces only. The front hangs quite straight in one panel. The back is in two panels, straight down the side seams and flared generously to the centre seam at the back, to give a graceful swing. The material is one of those cool rayon poplins finely striped in black and white.

For mornings, it chooses a costume blouse from the spring wardrobe, in nylon or muslin, embellished with fine tuckings and dainty embroideries, but cut on tailored shirtwaist lines with neck collar closed to the throat. A wide plastic belt completes an effect that is deliciously Edwardian.

In the afternoon, the skirt comes forth accompanied by a jumper blouse of its own material which tucks in at the waist and is secured neatly to the waistband by cunningly concealed buttons from the inside. No chance of bulging or popping out altogether. Deep Neckline

This afternoon blouse has wide, cap sleeves and the new deep V neckline. The front is cut on the straight, to match the skirt, while the back is bias cut with centre seam, also matching the skirt. A wide, sash belt tied into a large bow at the side front, gives the illusion of a frock . . . and the accessories, of course, are white.

Another skirt which is becoming very popular is slim fitting to just above the knees, then breaking into all-round pleats. This is a useful style for cottons . . . the pleats are below "crease level". Can you devise its three blouses?

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After all, light reflects light. If you don't believe me try painting a dark lampshade. Before starting, notice how the light reflects downwards by the shade is reflected by the dark surface of the holder. After painting with white or some other light colour the light will seem twice as bright.

Before painting, do any mend-ing jobs that may be necessary. Tighten screws and if odd bits have been broken off one side of an object, trim off matching bits on the other side.

Decide whether you want a flat paint or enamel. Flat paint dries quickly, but has to be renewed fairly often as it does not stand up so well to washing. Enamel takes longer to dry, though there are one or two quick-drying enamels coming on the market.

Use a good paint or varnish remover. It is worth while spending a little time in removing the old paint if you want to get good results. If you cannot remove the stain don't despair.

I saw a hideous dark table that was given two coats of light grey quick-drying cellulose and it was completely successful.

Use plenty of sandpaper to obtain a smooth finish, and don't



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London, April 22. Despite the South African Finance Minister, Mr. Nicolaas Havenga's campaign for a higher gold price, it is felt here that the price will not in the foreseeable future climb above the present official price.

The City Editor of "The Times" wrote today "The fact remains that, though Mr. Havenga has many allies in his battle, the battle is not at the moment any nearer to being won."

New York, April 23. Buying power came into the stock market yesterday in sufficient volume to check the decline started on Thursday. But a recovery movement did not gain much support. Of 978 issues traded, 300 declined, 296 advanced. Volume was limited to 800,000 shares.

London dealings in Richfield and Standard Oil stocks highlighted a selective demand late in the day. Richfield, the most heavily traded issue, closed up 35 1/2. Standard was up 1 1/2 at 53 1/2. Dow Jonesaverages—

Stocks 63.60; 20 Industrial 173.42.

15. Rail 41.18; 10 Utility 44.10.

Closing quotations—

Adams Express 14 1/2.

Alaska Juneau 8 1/2.

American Can 22.

American Smelting 40 1/2.

American Telephone 144 1/2.

American Waterworks 7 1/2.

Amoco Copper 30 1/2.

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Colgate 31 1/2.

Commercial Solvents 14 1/2.

Corporation Products 62 1/2.

Dupont 185.

Eastman Kodak 44 1/2.

Eastman Light and Power 23 1/2.

General Electric 87 1/2.

General Motors 67 1/2.

Goodrich 60 1/2.

Gowdy 41.

Hannover Mutual 41 1/2.

International Harvester 21 1/2.

International Paper 41 1/2.

International Paper 8 1/2.

John Morrell 34 1/2.

Kennecott Copper 43 1/2.

Montgomery Ward 55 1/2.

National Distillers 17 1/2.

New York Central 26 1/2.

Packard Motor 3 1/2.

Pan American Airways 0 1/2.

Pennsylvania R.R. 16 1/2.

Piedmont 12 1/2.

Bethlehem Steel 8 1/2.

Reynolds Tobacco 34 1/2.

Sears Roebuck 35.

Shell Oil 34 1/2.

Boeing Vacuum 16 1/2.

Standard Oil 49 1/2.

Standard Oil of Calif. 44.

Standard Oil of N.J. 0 1/2.

Studebaker 18 1/2.

Union Bag 26.

Union Carbide 36 1/2.

U.S. Steel 70 1/2.

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Westinghouse 22 1/2.

Youngstown Sheet & Tube 63 1/2.

Gen. Pub. Utilities 13 1/2.—Associated Press.

NY COTTON

New York, April 23.

Cotton futures were easy in moderately active trading, closing 75 lower to 25 higher.

So far this season, Government loans covered 5,074,000 bales with the net stock in Government hands at 4,370,000.

May 33-03-04; July 32-24-23.

October 28-01; December 28-08-09; March 28-50 nominal; Mid-

March 33-08 nominal.—Associated Press.

The Central Bank of the Philippines reports that its

dollar reserves have fallen from US\$371,000,-

000 on March 1, 1949, to US\$336,000,000 on

March 31, 1949.

Governor Miguel Cuaderno, however, declared: "The storm has been weathered."

The Bank said there was no evidence of a flight of capital from the Philippines. It credited abnormally large demands for dollar exchange to three factors. These are:

1—Delayed impact of the West Coast shipping strike last Au-

tumn.

2—Importers whose mer-

chandise fell under the import

controls on January 1, 1949

placed unusually heavy orders

in advance in order to have large

stocks on hand when the con-

trols went into effect. The ship-

ping strike delayed receipt of the

merchandise and this in turn de-

layed the effect on dollar re-

serves of the banks until Janu-

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"PAKHOI"	Swatow & Foochow	4 p.m. 26th Apr.
"HUANAN"	Tientsin & Tientsin	5 p.m. 26th Apr.
"TSINAN"	Swatow	5 p.m. 27th Apr.
"SHENGKING"	Shanghai	5 p.m. 29th Apr.
"POYANG"	Takao, Yokohama & Kobe	5 p.m. 29th Apr.
"FOOCHOW"	Singapore, Macau, Sourabaya & Batavia	8th May.

Arrivals from

"POYANG"	Bangkok	6 p.m. 25th Apr.
"PAKHOI"	Singapore & Salgon	25th Apr.
"HUEPEH"	Tientsin & Inchon	a.m. 26th Apr.
"SHENGKING"	Shanghai & Keeling	7 a.m. 27th Apr.
"TSINAN"	Swatow	9 a.m. 27th Apr.

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Arrivals from

"SANTENOR"	U.K. via Straits & Manila	28th Apr.
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Personalia

Sir Robert Ho Tung, the Colony's "Grand Old Man," will make his second air trip next week when he leaves for the United Kingdom. His previous and first air journey was made a year ago to and from the United States.

Sir Robert will leave on Friday by Pan American Airways. He proposes also to visit Paris, Sweden, Norway and Denmark. In London he will stay at the Grosvenor House Hotel, Park Lane. Sir Robert expects to be away from the Colony for between four and six months.

Departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Friday included Dr. and Mrs. R. Teitel, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Simmie, Mrs. F. Perry, Mr. and Mrs. G. Drummond, Mrs. W. Galine, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Phillips, Messrs. A. E. Pappadopoulos, J. J. Brennan, J. M. Williams, E. Seider, P. Paasonen, G. Herantin, S. D. Kerr, R. G. Hatfield, and R. E. Lewis.

Among the new arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Friday were Mrs. J. S. Beach, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Baker, Mrs. R. J. Bone, Mrs. S. J. R. G. Woodhouse, Mrs. H. Y. MacDonald, Messrs. J. W. Kelly, J. S. Johnston, J. L. Orlofsky, R. S. Mackenzie, E. G. Way, G. A. Campbell, E. P. Geere, D. P. Kall, C. P. Shen, C. K. Ling, K. Lin, F. Matilla, and S. S. Yam.

Arrivals from Sydney yesterday by the ss. Chengte included Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Phillips, Mrs. R. L. Stirling, Mrs. J. E. Thomas, Mrs. V. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. G. Woodward, Mrs. J. G. Offenbacher, Mrs. D. M. E. Bindon, Mr. H. Burns, Mr. W. E. Ferraro, C. E. J. Fisher, Mrs. W. L. Gaine, Mrs. E. Gilbert, Mrs. M. F. Holmes, Mr. D. W. Leach, Mrs. J. K. Leach, Mr. Leon, Wai-ki, Mrs. Leong, Mr. G. C. Little, Miss R. F. Maxwell, Miss D. F. Maxwell and Miss N. G. Nutting.

Mr. Bonsoyo Konsay, banker, 36 Ice House Street, and Miss Dorothy Hoking, teacher, 166 Belcher Street, were married at the Registrar's Office yesterday. The witnesses were Mr. Ng Chak-wing and Mrs. Chu Hok-man.

Mr. F. W. Kendall, International Traffic and Sales Co-ordinator for Philippine Airlines, left yesterday with Mrs. Kendall for South America on a six-week business tour.

Mr. Dewey W. Smith of the Studebaker Export Corporation arrived yesterday by Pan American plane from Bangkok for a short stay in the Colony.

Dr. Ling Hsu-fun, former Vice Minister of Communications, passed through Hong Kong yesterday on his way from CNAC plane to Canton.

Dr. Ko Ting-tai, former Director of Navigation and member of China's Legislative Yuan, passed through Hong Kong yesterday on his way to Canton.

"At the Straits port we were told by those coming from here that it would be nice and cool," the officers complained.

"But... who?" they mopped their profusely sweating brows with already damp handkerchiefs. "It was hot down there, but at least we could breathe a little," they declaimed. Most of the European members find the high humidity here trying to their respiratory system.

The Benwyvis was formerly the American Liberty ship, Silver Cedar. She was bought over by the Ben Line and refitted. The Indian crew remained but were signed off at Singapore.

This is her first trip to the Far East for the Ben Line.

As she lies alongside Kowloon Wharf, the 7,261-ton vessel is being "polished up" on all sides. Labourers hammered away her hull for a new coating of paint. Carpenters stood around to do necessary repairs. Coolies and mechanics shouted themselves hoarse to unload her cargo.

Twenty brand new Vauxhall Six cars were unloaded yesterday. The Benwyvis discharged 25 at Singapore. She had 600 tons of general cargo, mostly Chinese foodstuffs, for the Colony. There were 8,300 tons when she left the UK last month.

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Reminders

Today

Classical Concert, YCII Club, Talbot House, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.

Talk on "The Henklein Pharaoh" by Miss M. J. Stuart, European YMCA, 8.30 p.m.

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Army Beat Club
At Soccer, 2-1

Strengthened by the inclusion of three Singapore players, Army beat Club by two goals to one in a clean and hard fought First Division soccer game at Happy Valley yesterday. Army were definitely lucky to win, as they were on the defensive for a greater part of the game and their second goal was more or less a gift, as it was, without doubt, scored from an offside position.

Kowloon Motor Bus beat Police by five goals to four at Boundary Street in a game which was featured by hectic exchanges.

The game between Eastern and Kwong Wah at Caroline Hill was not played.

In the Second Division, Kowloon Motor Bus beat South China by six clean goals. The game was not played in the proper spirit and ended with two players, one from KMB and the other from South China, being sent off the field by the referee, Pte. Collins, for alleged fighting.

Club 1—Army 2

Club were unfortunate to lose their match against Army as they enjoyed more of the ball than their opponents, only weak finishing by their forwards letting them down.

Catton, the Club custodian, gave another bright performance between the sticks and certainly saved his side from a much heavier defeat by bringing off several difficult saves.

The Club defence was somewhat shaky under pressure, only Forrow displaying any initiative in attacking the opposing forward and setting his own attack in the move with well-directed passes.

Of the Club forwards, Klemm and Mullen were without doubt the most prominent. These two were tireless in their efforts and worked hard for openings.

The Club wings were somewhat erratic and Bardear in particular wasted many fine scoring chances by kicking wildly.

Fine Display

Army's success was in a great measure due to the fine display put up by their backs and half-backs. Saelson, Whitehorne and Butler, the three Singapore Army players were to the forefront. Their fine positional play and keen anticipation enabled them to nip many dangerous movements by the Club forwards in the nick of time.

West and Bamskill, the two Army wingers, were always a source of danger in possession, but the inside trio, although trying hard, did not find it an easy matter to outwit Forrow.

The first half was evenly contested, with both sides attacking in turn.

RESULTS AT A
GLANCE

FIRST DIVISION

Club 1 Army 2

Police 4 KMB Bus 5

Eastern v Kwong Wah

SECOND DIVISION

South China 0 KMB Bus 6

Club 0 PCA 4

Army KMB 3 Solicitors' 1

Dockyard 2 Tramways 0

* This game was not played.

Eastern conceding a walk-over in favour of Kwong Wah.

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